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# BITTER S. CHINA WARFARE

## Japan's Warning to Britain, Other Third Powers

## HEAVY CHINESE REINFORCEMENTS POUR SOUTHWARDS

### British Women, Children Evacuated From Canton, Arrive To-day

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**BITTER FIGHTING IS IN PROGRESS IN THE PINGSHAN-NIMSHAN AND PAKWAN-TAMSHUI AREAS IN THE BIAS BAY HINTERLAND, ACCORDING TO REPORTS REACHING HONGKONG THIS MORNING.**

**Heavy Chinese reinforcements which are being rushed to the district from the entire East River area are threatening to inundate the entire Japanese Expeditionary Force by sheer weight of numbers.**

From Canton it is reported that a constant procession of commandeered motor lorries and buses, filled with troops, are choking the highway leading to Waichow, which is believed to be one of the Japanese objectives.

Waichow is connected to Canton in the north and Bias Bay in the south by an excellent highway which leads directly to Fanwokong, one of the townships in which Japanese landings have been effected.

From Hachung and Ngamtsin, where the principal Japanese landings are believed to have been made, the Japanese appear to be pushing inland through Weiyeung Valley to Tamshui, ten miles from the coast.

**From Tamshui the Japanese can strike across comparatively flat country to the Canton-Hankow Railway at a point about 15 miles on the Hongkong side of Cheungmuktau and about 30 miles from the Hongkong frontier. The distance from Tamshui to the railway is about 25 miles.**

It is now apparent that the Japanese landing at Taipung, in Taipung Harbour, was only a feint to draw the Chinese defenders away from Hachung.

**75 SHIPS IN BAY**

After engaging the Chinese forces in Taipung for about 2½ hours, the Japanese suddenly withdrew to their boats.

It is officially confirmed that a total of 75 ships, including 15 warships, are in Bias Bay.

Considerable activity was noticeable throughout yesterday and last night as the Japanese feverishly landed supplies, artillery pieces and munitions, indicating that they expect the campaign to be a long and arduous one.

Over 50,000 troops landed yesterday, and it is believed that another

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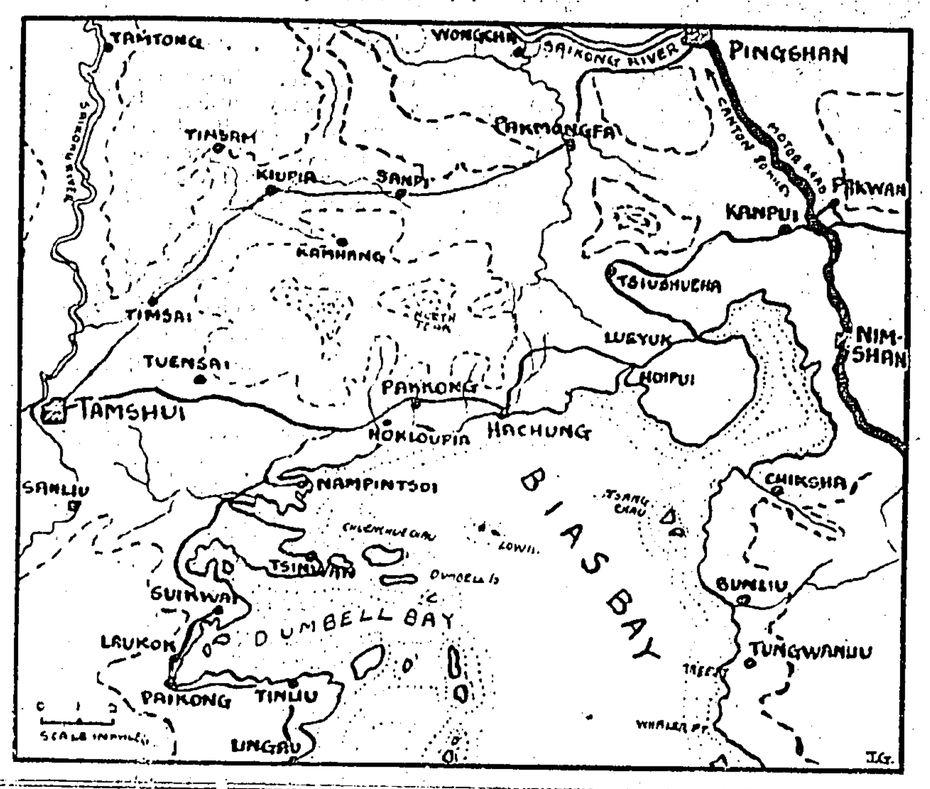


## Yangtse Drive Continues

### Japanese Forces Reach Golden Lake

SHANGHAI, Oct. 12.

JAPANESE WARSHIPS, pushing steadily up the Yangtse River, have captured Sichaishan, twelve miles above Kichun, according to a *communique* issued to-day.

The spearhead of the Japanese river drive up China's inland Dardanelles is now within 53 miles of Hankow, the report indicates.

A landing was staged on the south bank of the river by Japanese Marines, in co-operation with land forces.

The Japanese were met with a hail of bullets from Chinese machine gun nests on the hilly banks of the river end, and before they reached their objectives, sustained heavy casualties.—*Domei.*

**CHINESE ADMIT LANDING**

Hankow, Oct. 12.

A Chinese *communique* admits that the Japanese troops have effected a

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## BRITISH REFUGEES DUE TO-DAY

### Women, Children Arrive By Steamer Fatshan

Canton, Oct. 13.

ALMOST THE ENTIRE foreign populace turned out *en masse* to bid farewell to women and children leaving Canton by the river steamer, Fatshan, at 8 o'clock this morning.

Although the air raid alarm again sounded at 6.15 a.m. there was very little evidence of anxiety at the wharf side, where the whole scene was reminiscent of a holiday atmosphere, and cheerful Goodbyes seemed to be the order of the day.

Meanwhile the Chinese populace is gradually beginning to realise the imminent threat to the city following yesterday's landing, and crowds are beginning to collect at the creekside in the Shameen vicinity, anticipating further air raids to-day.

Nevertheless, there continues to be an entire absence of panic.—*Reuter.*

## Rail Service Disrupted

The railway service between Kowloon and Canton has been completely severed as a result of yesterday's air raids.

The trains which left the two cities yesterday had to return to their stations and from this end, the service was limited outwards to Shumchun.

As far as shipping between the two cities is concerned, no curtailments of the usual runs has been effected.

The Sai On, of the Tung On Steamship Company and the Fatshan of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamship Company, are both due to arrive here from Canton about 3 p.m. to-day, the latter bringing women and children evacuees from Canton and Shameen.

## *Heir to Russian Tsar Dies in Paris*

PARIS, Oct. 12.

**The Grand Duke Cyril, head of the House of Romanoff, who has been lying in a hospital in Paris suffering from a grangrene leg, died to-day. The Grand Duke is an uncle to the Duchess of Kent.—*Reuter Bulletin.***

A grandson of Emperor Alexander III and a cousin of ill-fated Czar Nicolas II, Grand Duke Cyril Wladimirovitch proclaimed himself chief of the house of Romanoff and "curator of the throne," from his Saint Brieuc cottage in exile in Brittany, July 22 1922, and on August 31, 1924, proclaimed himself successor to the long line of Romanoff Czars as "Emperor of all the Russias."

Famous for his tempestuous youth in St. Petersburg—the nightly orgies and feasts of Grand Dukes Cyril and Boris are still famous in the chronicles of pre-war gay life in Russia, Vienna, Berlin, Paris and other continental capitals—he was also famous for his participation in the Russian revolution, marching under a red flag at the head of his sailors in the streets of St. Petersburg, in 1917.

Born at Tzarskoie-Selo, the Romanoff summer castle, on September 30, 1876, Cyril was the son of Grand Duke Wladimir Alexandrovitch and Grand Duchess Maria Pavlovna, who was the Duchess of Mecklembourg was of German origin. Grand Duke Wladimir was the son of Alexander III.

Cyril opted for a naval career and was graduated from the Russian naval academy in 1895 to make a

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## Lord Mayor's Fund Grows

LONDON, Oct. 12.

**THE LORD MAYOR of London returned by air to-day from Prague, where he had consulted with the authorities with regard to the disposition of his fund in aid of Czecho-Slovakian refugees, which now totals over £50,000.**

**The Lord Mayor told *Reuter* in an interview that he found those with whom he mixed very friendly to Britain. Thousands of letters enclosing donations are arriving daily at the Mansion House.—*Reuter.***

## E. AFRICAN COLONY SUSPECTS GERMANY

LONDON, Oct. 12.

Strong opposition is being launched to the retrocession of Tanganyika to Germany as the outcome of any Anglo-German negotiations on the question of the granting of colonies.

The executive council of the joint East Africa Board, which represents British East Africa interests, met in London to-day and discussed the rumours and the representations received from East Africa.

Attention was drawn to the grave economic consequences which would ensue from such a cession, and the incalculable disabilities which European, Indian and native inhabitants would suffer by the transfer.

The Board decided to co-operate in the organisation of an influential body which would educate and mobilise opinion in opposition to the proposal mentioned.—*Reuter.*

## NEW OPPORTUNITIES IN TERRITORIALS

London, Oct. 12.

The War Office to-day announced the details of a scheme for providing wider opportunities for territorial army officers to be trained for staff duties.

Fifty captains or senior lieutenants will be trained annually for staff appointments in the event of mobilisation.

As most officers in the territorial army are civilians, most of the training will be by correspondence course, but officers will spend a fortnight at the Staff College for practical work.—*Reuter.*

THE CZECH CRISIS

## Breakdown Fears Gaining Ground

KOMAROM, Oct. 12.

**ALARM IS GROWING in Hungarian circles at indications that the Czech attitude regarding the delimitation of the Czech-Hungarian frontier is stiffening.**

Delegates to the Komarom conference re-assembled at noon to-day after hurried trips to and fro, presumably for the purpose of consultations with the respective governments.

It is learned that the Hungarian Foreign Minister, M. Kalman Kanya, has threatened to sever negotiations with Czecho-Slovakia owing to the unsatisfactory counter-proposals made by the latter.

It is understood that the Czechs agree to grant autonomy to the Hungarian minorities but will not cede territory beyond that already occupied.

The Hungarian Regent, Admiral Horthy, conferred until the early hours of this morning with the Foreign Minister.

**It is indicated that the Hungarians have agreed to remain adamant that the Hungarian demands must be met by Czecho-Slovakia.—*United Press.***

**FIFTH ZONE BOUNDARY**

London, Oct. 12.

The official map approved by the Ambassadors' Commission in Berlin which has been received in London, reveals that the new boundary of the fifth zone in Czecho-Slovakia comprises an area roughly equal to the Godesberg demands.

Only in a few cases, however, do the new lines coincide with the Godesberg lines, the variations being from five to ten miles either way throughout.

The main German gain is north of Prague, where the new line is from 10 to 15 miles further south than the original demands, bringing the German frontier within 25 miles of Prague.

On the other hand, the situation has eased around Pilsen, where the boundary will not now enter the actual town. Similar change favouring the Czechs are made all along the south and south-west frontier.

Another German gain is west of Macrisch-Ostrau, where the approved line passes through a large area where a plebiscite was originally demanded. The boundary does not, however, come within five miles of the town.

It is thought that the question of plebiscites will be decided by direct negotiations between the Germans and Czechs, the general impression being that plebiscites will be waived if possible. The map also shows areas in which plebiscites might be held.—*Reuter.*

**POLISH C. IN C. ARRIVES**

Warsaw, Oct. 12.

General Rydz-Smidly, Commander-in-Chief of the Polish Army, arrived in the Teschen area, ceded by Czecho-Slovakia to Poland, to-day, and was given an enthusiastic reception by the population.—*Reuter Bulletin.*

**WEAK BRITAIN DANGER TO PEACE**

London, Oct. 12.

"We believe that a weak Britain, either in policy or armaments, is the greatest danger to European peace at the present moment.

"That is why I resigned in February. I have never altered my feeling, and I do not alter it now", declared Viscount Cranborne, former Foreign Under-Secretary, speaking at Weymouth to-day.

Dealing with the future policy of the country, Viscount Cranborne declared: "It is a very simple thing. Re-arm! Re-arm! Re-arm! I believe that is the Government's policy. I hope it is, and it will have my fullest support. If we throw our whole energies into re-armament I do not despair for peace."

He added that the Government was clearly in the right in reaching a settlement at Munich in view of the alternatives put before them, but the peace secured was one of which no man could be proud.—*Reuter.*

**BRITAIN IS READY**

London, Oct. 12.

"We are ready to defend British interests, British liberties and British territory against any invader, or any aggressor," declared Sir Thomas Inskip, Minister for Co-ordination speaking at Gravesend to-day amid roars of cheers.

Sir Thomas said he believed that Britain had, at last, got on the road to friendly Anglo-German relations. Nobody in the Government believed peace could be achieved by a single stroke of the pen.

"There must be jolts and jars to the chariot of peace, but if we can pursue the road with good tempers,

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## JAPAN'S NOTE TO THE POWERS

Tokyo, Oct. 13.

PRINCE KONOYE, Premier of Japan, has despatched an official Note to foreign diplomats in Tokyo recalling Japan's difficulties in Shanghai and Kiukiang in protecting Third Power properties because the Chinese had constructed defensive works nearby.

He has therefore requested foreign governments to adequately and effectively endeavour to prevent the Chinese making similar moves in the present South China hostilities, and has urged foreigners to refrain from actions tending to indicate they are favouring the Chinese.

He has also appealed to foreign governments to refrain as far as possible from moving vessels, troops and aircraft within Chinese territorial waters between Swatow and Pakhoi.

It is requested that foreign governments should notify the Japanese ten days in advance when moving troops.

Prince Konoye has also requested Third Powers not to allow the Chinese to use their properties, and that foreign vessels should not approach Chinese military establishments. He has asked that Third Powers should provide aerial landmarks of foreign properties.

**It is stated that in the even of Chinese occupying foreign properties the Japanese must attack them, and it is suggested that foreigners leave the zone of hostilities in order to prevent unfortunate incidents.**

It is recalled that the Notes despatched on June 20 last designat-

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## STOP PRESS

## Mass Terror In Air Raids

Canton, Oct. 13.

The Japanese mass air raid over Kwangtung yesterday, staged by 104 bombers, centred on the three railroads, namely, the Canton-Kowloon, Canton-Hankow and Canton-Samshui Railways.

Over 70 bombs, it is now ascertained, were foisted over Suntong, Tongtowhn, Wanglik and Shektan stations on the Canton-Kowloon line.

Along the Canton-Hankow Railway, 11 bombs were dropped at a bridge between Kuntien and Loktung, damaging several sleepers. Lokchong station and its vicinity received over 20 missiles.

Eight explosives were dumped at the Fatshan station on the Canton-Samshui Railway. The track was slightly damaged.

The raiders also dropped several missiles on the Tsengshing-Waiyeung highway, which killed two civilians and wounded six.

Two persons were killed when a bomb landed on a highway at Fatshan. At the railway station near Swatow, the Japanese aircraft dumped four missiles, wounding a boy.

In order to support their land drive, the Japanese machines raided over 200 bombs at Aotow, where the Japanese forced a landing yesterday morning.

Waiyeung, north of Aotow was also heavily bombed.—*Central News.*

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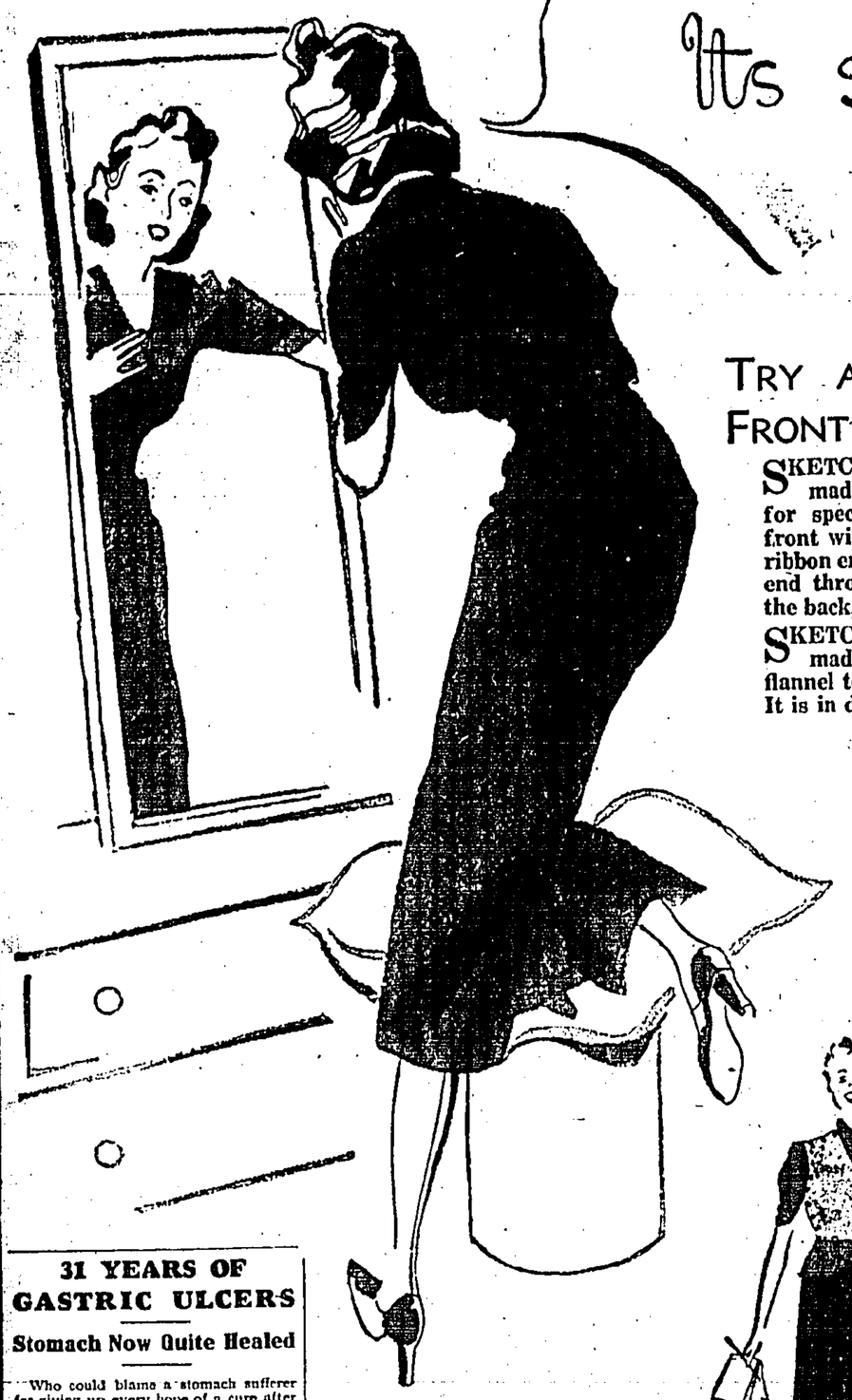


## TRY A NEW FRONT ON IT . . .

SKETCH ON RIGHT shows one made up in a heavy corded silk for special occasions. Tie it at the front with a neat bow. Sew one long ribbon end to each front, pull the under end through a small slit, cross round the back, and tie at the front in a bow.

SKETCH below shows the waistcoat made in three different shades of flannel to wear over your office frock. It is in deep rose, grey, and royal blue (these colours can be varied ad lib., of course), is attached to jet buttons on the shoulders, front armholes, and sides of the dress, and crosses over with two buttons at the waist. Black scarf tucked in at the neck makes the final alteration to the frock.

FOR SPECTATOR SPORTS try it in tartan, and get a little milliner to give your felt hat a tartan crown to match, and if you're afraid of the conventional reds, greens, and blacks, remember the new tartans don't belong to any clan a Scotsman would recognise. They're all colours. Make a plain art silk back to button on to the waistcoat front, so that you can also wear it under a suit.

**And it's Easy-to-make**

This waistcoat front is easy to cut out from the front sections of a cross-over blouse pattern from an ordinary frock, or just by fitting the material against you. It depends on your ingenuity.

## Surprise Item

*Buy hyacinth bulbs now, plant them in soft damp fibre in the bowls, and put away in a dark cupboard until they've got good shoots, keeping the fibre damp all the time. Then bring out into the light and keep right by a window in an airy room. They will be ready for giving away as presents in December.*

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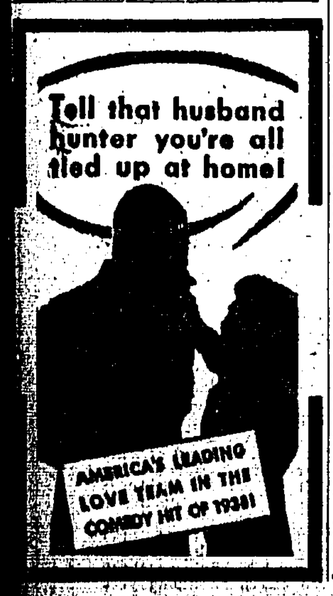


## Take yourself in hand.

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Are you the Perfect Guest whose hostess welcomes her with sincere words and open arms?

Or are you one of those whose hostess, as they leave, says brightly, "Come again soon," and thinks bitterly, "If you do, I'll poison your coffee."

Well, if a large proportion of the faults enumerated here are yours, you can take it for granted that whatever qualities you possess, perfection as a guest is not one of them.

### So ask yourself these questions:

*Do you bring down, as a present for your hostess, who has been strictly forbidden sweets of all kinds, a box of specially delicious chocolates?*

*Do you insist on having a hot bath at a time when the kitchen needs all the hot water that is going?*

*Do you leave the bathroom with a large puddle on the floor, wet towels flung about in indiscriminate heaps, and a tablet of your hostess's most prized and expensive face soap pulping at the bottom of the unemptied bath?*

*Do you insist on showing the family, in the middle of the drawing-room carpet, how you got out of the bunker on your last round of golf? Your host may be amused, but his wife certainly will not, and the mark against you will be a black one.*

### Ask yourself if you have a habit of:

*Leaving bits of your luggage all over the house.*

*Getting in people's way during the morning, when the household is busy.*

*Invading the kitchen while meals are being prepared in order to discuss the book you've just been reading. (Literary criticism will be far from the mind of your outwardly polite but inwardly seething hostess. Do remember that preparing a good dinner is a complicated job.)*

*Going into raptures about another friend's garden when your host has just described feelingly how much money he has spent on his own.*

*Leaving your room looking as though a cyclone had swept through it, with, in addition, cigarette burns on every piece of polished wood in sight, and half a box of powder ground into the carpet.*

*Kate Carr*

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# 'A Woman's Curse Has Cost Me £10,000'

## *Once Rich Farmer Tells How Ill-luck Dogged Him 19 Years*

## *THE SPELL IS STILL UNBROKEN*

A once-prosperous West of Ireland farmer, fifty-nine-year-old Mr. Richard Smyth, of Pembroke-road, Ballsbridge, Dublin, says he now faces destitution because of a woman's curse.

Nineteen years ago a woman cursed him in a fit of anger. Ever since he has felt himself dogged by ill-luck. Nothing he has tried has succeeded.

The curse, he says, has cost him £10,000, forced him to sell his farm and go to Dublin to live with friends. The woman died seven years ago.

Between puffs at a cigarette, Mr. Smyth told of the curse and what followed.

Mr. Smyth and the woman lived on neighbouring farms. Only a narrow lane separated their lands.

"She was fifty years old," he said. "She never liked me, always wanted to get my farm. One day I seemed to have annoyed her.

"She cursed me, prayed that I would have nothing but bad luck as long as I lived.

### HIS CATTLE DIED

"I had not meant any harm and did not mind her, but that evening I found two of my cattle dead.

**"Next day I found two others dead. They kept on dying till they had all gone. Since that day I have had nothing but misfortune."**

Mr. Smyth is sure his cattle did not die of a disease. "No, it was not natural sickness," he asserted. "I called in veterinary surgeons. They examined the cattle but could not say what was wrong with them.

"I rented other farms later. Everything used to go well for a time, then my cattle used to start dying.

"My crops were unlucky, too. If I had a good crop of corn, bad harvest weather was sure to spoil it."

After the woman died Mr. Smyth was sure his luck would change, but it did not.

"Things were the same as before," he said. "Everything I tried failed me. Now, instead of having a farm of my own where my wife and I could live I am forced to live with friends.

### GAMBLING GIVEN UP

"Once my farm used to bring me £500 a year. Now I am glad to take an occasional day's wages helping other farmers buy and sell their cattle at the Dublin cattle markets.

For years Mr. Smyth has not backed a horse or played cards.

"I used to win money at both cards and horses," he continued. "That was before the curse. Now I always lose. I once refused a present of an Irish sweepstake ticket. I did not want to see it wasted."

When I asked him if he were superstitious and if he were not imagining things, his blue eyes twinkled. "Unfortunately," he said with a laugh, "there is no need to imagine things.

### NEVER THE SAME

"All this has happened to me. I have never been the same since the day she cursed me. I can feel the spell of that curse over me yet.

"I want to break that spell. I have asked hundreds how to do it, but none of them could tell me."

If he thought his luck would change Mr. Smyth would go back to the country again.

"I have always wanted to be a farmer," he told me before I left him, "but that curse has chased me from the countryside. If only I could break its spell I would go back again."

### Bridegroom Gives Away Daughter

**Dr. Albert Cocker, of Green-lanes, Palmers Green, was married recently in St. John's Church, Palmers Green, to Miss Ivy Kentfield.**

**After the wedding his bride walked in the church while Dr. Cocker's daughter, Elsie, was married to Mr. Ronald White, a Northampton cricketer.**

**The bridegroom at the first wedding gave his daughter away at the second.**

## *AIRLINER FAULT REMEDIED*

**A fortnight after Albatross, the airliner that was designed to regain for Britain a lead in world civil aviation, broke its back on the ground after an overload test flight, a De Havilland's official announced that the original programme would go forward. There would be no delivery delay.**

There is a story behind that announcement, a story of the endeavour of every man who built the machine to set right the fault in record time.

From designer to mechanic, every man worked day and night. Within seven days from the evening when the first machine broke in half the wreckage had been examined and the exact fault found.

In a few more hours a modification was designed and tested, re-tested and passed.

**In another day the modification had been incorporated in the sister ship, and was ready to go in the other airliners of the type on the production line.**

The sister ship, modified, was in the air on its test flights—even more severe tests than that in which the original machine failed.

### PASSED ALL TESTS

And it passed them all, with a full passenger load and an overload.

"The actual fault was small," a De Havilland official said. "An increase of tensile strength was needed in a single joint in the machine. A modification was designed so that a strengthening fitting could be made.

**"This was produced in record time and fitted to the sister ship. The Albatross has now passed all tests.**

"And there is no loss in either load carrying or speed. The modification itself adds only twelve and a half pounds to the weight of the machine.

## Swiss Ready For Any Emergency

Italians are building an electrical air ferry to Theodul Pass on the Swiss frontier, ostensibly to develop ski resorts. But the Swiss, people of the purest democracy in Europe, watch grimly, for an army on skis could swoop down from Theodul, cut off the Simplon forts and swarm through the Rhone Valley. There is no doubt the Swiss would fight against invasion of their cherished democracy, for their army is in excellent condition. Top panel shows the scenic Lotschberg railway forming a direct link between the Bernese Oberland and the Simplon route. Middle panel contrasts the warlike pose of mountain machine gunners with a peaceful scene in a Valais village. Bottom, motorized units of the Swiss army on the march.

## Drama Of Leaps From Bomber

A Chelmsford jury complimented Flight-Lieut. D. W. H. Gardner on the coolness he displayed when the bomber he was piloting crashed at Ingatestone, Essex.

The inquest was on Corporal W. H. Wheeler, of 88 (Bomber) Squadron, Boscombe Down, who was killed after jumping from the plane.

The pilot was only slightly injured, and the third member of the crew, Aircraftman W. Cable, landed safely with his parachute.

After describing how the flight he was leading ran into fog, Flight-Lieut. Gardner said:

"When I got to 1,200 to 1,500 ft. I found myself losing height and speed, and, to a small extent, control. I gave orders to the other occupants to abandon the machine.

"I continued to lose height, and I made ready myself to leave the machine, but I did not get out, hoping I should have a chance of saving it.

"I came down over trees, and, looking round, saw that my two companions had left.

"The plane crashed on the road, and I was rescued before it burst into flames."

### Gila Monster In Maine

Richmond, Me.

Mrs. George W. Campbell recently killed a Gila monster on her farm here. Fish and game department officials at August believe that the "animals . . . must have escaped from some carnival travelling in the state, because no such creature exists in Maine." Gila monsters are members of the lizard family.


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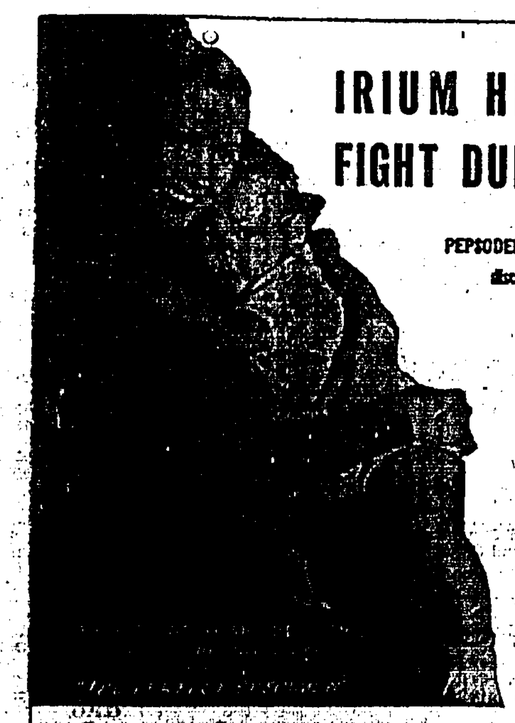

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## YANGTSE DRIVE CONTINUES

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landing at Welyuankow, on the right bank of the Yangtse River twenty-two miles above Panpishan.

Welyuankow is just below the outlet of the "Golden Lake" (Welyuan Lake), on the north-eastern shore of which is located Tayeh. The communique states that the landing was followed by most severe fighting, which lasted throughout the day.—*United Press.*

### GATEWAY CAPTURED

Nanking, Oct. 12.

The gateway to the Tayeh mine fields at the eastern end of Welyuan Lake on the south bank of the Yangtse, was captured by the Japanese Army and Navy forces following a joint attack about 8 o'clock this morning, the Headquarters of the Japanese Expeditionary Force in Central China announced.—*Domei.*

### SINYANG'S FALL

Sinyang, Oct. 11.

Although the Rising Sun flag has been hoisted atop the famous old Castle of Sinyang in the heart of the city, bitter street fighting between the Japanese and isolated groups of Chinese who have barricaded themselves inside many buildings is still in progress in several parts of the city.

The few remaining Chinese have chosen death as their ultimate fate, and, completely isolated from the outside world, appear determined to fight until their ammunition is completely exhausted.

The fall of Sinyang ends once and for all China's hopes of restoring communications along the strategically important Peiping-Hankow Railway, Hankow's lifeline along which flowed war materials from Soviet Russia.

The Japanese entry into Sinyang was preceded by a dynamite squad, which literarily blew isolated Chinese operations away. Tanks followed the dynamiters, and on their heels came the regulars.

Sinyang is situated 135 miles north of Hankow and 187 miles south of Chengchow, junction of the Lunghai and Peiping-Hankow Railways. The city forms the north-eastern base of China's famous "Maginot Line" which encircles Hankow, and which was constructed under Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's five-year defence plan.

Since ancient times the city has been regarded as the first important stronghold in the drive on the Wuhan areas from the north.

Under ordinary circumstances the population of Sinyang is 30,000. When the Japanese entered only a few hundred Chinese remained to silently watch them.—*Domei.*

### FIGHTING AROUND SINYANG

Hankow, Oct. 12.

With the Japanese forces claiming the capture of Sinyang, an important point on the Peiping-Hankow railway, about 100 miles north of Hankow at an early hour this morning, Chinese reports state that fighting is proceeding north, east and south of city.

Japanese detachments, it is admitted, reached Snakwanmiao and Changtaikwan, which are also situated on the Peiping-Hankow railway immediately north of Sinyang.

Fighting, reports add, is also proceeding on the highway east of Sinyang at Liuling station, situated south of Sinyang.

Japanese forces on the south bank of the Yangtse, south-wert of Yanghsin are continuing their attack on Chinese positions on the north bank of the Fu River, in the vicinity of Sochow, it is stated.—*Reuter.*

### CHINESE NEW DRIVE

Hankow, Oct. 12.

Chinese forces at Tehan are reported to have launched a counter-offensive against the Japanese, and are reported to be converging on Tehan.

Chinese official despatches claim the recapture of Mahwolling by Chinese forces, in addition to the hills around Yaikou.

The Japanese at Joshi are said to be pushing eastwards in an attempt to reach Japanese detachments said to be surrounded in two hills 10 miles west of Tehan.—*Reuter.*


# NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on **Monday, the 17th day of October, 1938, at 3 p.m.,** at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Kowloon Tsai, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

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| No. of Sale | Registry No. | Locality | Boundary Measurements N. | S. | E. | W. | Contents in sq. feet | Annual Rental | Upset Price |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2637. | East of New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2338, Kowloon Tsai. | As per sale plan. | | | | About 12,000 | $133 | $6,000 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2 | Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4041. | Opposite Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1322, and Kowloon Marine Lot No. 65, To Kwa Wan Road, To Kwa Wan. | As per sale plan. | | | | About 65,130 | $1,196 | $48,848 |

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES AND UNDERWRITERS

s/s "CHENONCEAUX"

Voyage 22-Return/1938.

NOTICE is hereby given that the above mentioned steamer having grounded on the 4th of October, 1938, four miles off Hongkong, General Average has been declared on all cargo on board from Japan Ports and Shanghai.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3 | Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4043. | Junction of Tam Kung Road and Mok Cheong Street, Ma Tau Kok. | As per sale plan. | | | | About 1,200 | $14 | $900 |

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Bringing Cargo from Marseilles via Saigon, etc., arrived Hongkong on Wednesday, 12th October, 1938.

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All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance has been effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISYA.
Hongkong, 12th October, 1938.


## BITTER S. CHINA WARFARE

(Continued from Page 1.)

considerable number landed last night.

Bias Bay was alight all night with the gleam of searchlights, which were quite visible in British territory at Shataukok.

The sound of gunfire, audible at Shataukok at dawn yesterday, has not recurred.

### CHINESE CENSORSHIP

**Only vague reports are being received in Hongkong from the Chinese side.**

**A strict censorship exists throughout Kwangtung and foreign newspaper correspondents in Canton have been warned against sending reports.**

Some Chinese officials in Canton issued a statement last night, denying that a Japanese landing had been attempted or effected in Bias Bay!

It is understood that the 151st Division of the Kwangtung Army was manning the Bias Bay defences when the Japanese landing was made.

The Division sustained heavy casualties when it made a stand against the Japanese five miles inland from the coast.

Reports at present indicate that the Japanese have made comparatively little headway, and it appears that they are consolidating their landing positions before seriously attempting to drive further inland.

Vigorous fighting is progressing at Aotow, about twelve miles southwest of Hachung, and telephonic communication with this town has now ceased.

### FURIOUS FIGHTING CONTINUES

Canton, Oct. 13.

Chinese regular troops assisted by well-trained armed militia corps are staunchly resisting further Japanese landings at Aotow, Hachung, Nimshan and other points in Bias Bay.

Reports of Japanese preliminary landing emanating from Japanese sources appear to have been exaggerated. Allegations that the landing yesterday met no opposition were categorically denied in Chinese official circles.

According to reports from reliable sources, the landing of about 200 blue-jackets in over 20 lighters at Hachung at 4.30 a.m. was repulsed by Chinese troops and militiamen after about one hour's fighting. The landing operations were preceded by a terrific naval bombardment. Many casualties were suffered.

Later the Japanese brought their planes into operation, when a fierce aerial bombing complemented the terrific naval shelling. Under the heavy bombardment more than 1,000 Japanese in scores of boats attempted to land at Pingshan, Nimshan, Siakweishan, and Tungchung in Bias Bay, whilst the Japanese who were repelled at Hachung effected a second landing there. Furious fighting broke out at all these points.

At Aotow where the Japanese tried to land in over 40 warships, transports and vessels of other descriptions under a naval barrage the Chinese also offered stout resistance. The Chinese defence works there are understood to be very strong. Chinese shore batteries effectively retaliated for the Japanese shelling.

According to an arrival from Hachung, the Japanese made their landing at Hachung under the dim-moonlight early yesterday morning after a fierce bombardment from their warships in Bias Bay. The alarm was immediately raised by Chinese sentries guarding the coast. Chinese garrison and militiamen from various neighbouring villages rushed to the scene. Heavy Chinese machine-gun and rifle fire checked the Japanese who had landed at the seashore and prevented others who were attempting to land in lighters from approaching the shore.

After furious fighting, the Japanese were all repulsed. Several Japanese lighters were sunk by Chinese fire.

Not long after a squadron of more than ten Japanese planes flew ashore and heavily bombed the villages. A second landing was then successfully attempted.—*Central News.*

## BREAKDOWN FEARS GAINING GROUND

(Continued from Page 1.)

we might at last arrive at journey's end," he declared.

"The influence of peace is infectious, and there is, in all parts of the world, a willingness to agree to a policy of mediation, which three months ago would have seemed impossible."—*Reuter.*

### "WAR PARTY" IN EUROPE

Rome, Oct. 12.

The allegation that "there exists in Europe a war party organised against Italy and Germany" is contained in an article by Signor Gayda who comments to-day on the Italian authorities' approval of Herr Hitler's speech at Saarbrucken.

Gayda asserts that headquarters of the war party exist in Paris under the influence of Moscow. The article goes on: "It has obvious ramifications, although more restrictly, in Britain."

Declaring that the war party fancies itself capable of overcoming Italy and Germany, Gayda adds: "Europe and responsible governments should therefore once more be warned before it is too late that Italy and Germany are more than ever united, and form together a force which could inexorably overwhelm the ambitious plans of this mad party."—*Reuter.*

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## INWARD MAILS

| From | Per | Due. |
|---|---|---|
| Bangkok and Swatow | Kweiyang | October 13. |
| Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 6th October. | Pan-American Airways Plane | October 13. |
| Shanghai, Amoy and Chuancnow | Soochow | October 13. |
| Shanghai and Swatow | Yingchow | October 13. |
| Manila | Adrastus | October 14. |
| Japan | Kidderpore | October 14. |
| Japan and Shanghai | Rajputana | October 14. |
| Manila | Conte Biancamano | October 15. |
| Shanghai | Hsin Peking | October 15. |
| Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London date, 9th October. | Imperial Airways Plane | October 15. |
| Shanghai and Swatow | Yochow | October 15. |
| Japan and Shanghai | Jean Laborde | October 16. |
| Parcels from Calcutta and Straits | Kutsang | October 16. |
| Shanghai and Swatow | Kwangtung | October 16. |
| Amoy | Tjisaroea | October 16. |
| Straits | Agapenor | October 18. |
| Straits | Cremer | October 18. |
| Japan and Shanghai | Patroclus | October 18. |
| U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco date, 23rd Sept.). | Pres. Coolidge | October 18. |
| Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 13th October. | Imperial Airways Plane | October 19. |

## OUTWARD MAILS

| For | Per | Date and Time. |
|---|---|---|
| **Thursday** | | |
| Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A., by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 20th Oct. | Pan-American Airways Plane K. P. O. | Thurs., Oct. 13 |
| | Reg., | Oct. 13, 5 p.m. |
| | Ord., | Oct. 13, 5.30 p.m. |
| | G. P. O. | |
| | Reg., | Oct. 13, 5 p.m |
| | Ord., | Oct. 13, 7 p.m. |
| Kongmoon | Tai Lee | Thurs., Oct. 13, 10.30 a.m. |
| Parcels and Papers only for Calcutta | Hosang | Thurs., Oct. 13, Noon. |
| Swatow and Tientsin | Chaksang | Thurs., Oct. 13, 12.30 p.m. |
| Amoy | Tjisadane | Thurs., Oct. 13, 12.30 p.m. |
| Fort Bayard | Taipoosek | Thurs., Oct. 13, 2.30 p.m. |
| Amoy and Chuanchow | Shantung | Thurs., Oct. 13, 4.30 p.m. |
| Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 20th October. | Imperial Airways Plane K.P.O. | Thurs., Oct. 13. |
| | Reg., | Oct. 13, 5 p.m. |
| | Ord., | Oct. 13, 5.30 p.m. |
| | G.P.O. | |
| | Reg., | Oct. 13, 5 p.m. |
| | Ord., | Oct. 13, 7 p.m. |
| Air Mail for Malaya and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service—due Sydney, 22nd October. | Imperial Airways Plane K.P.O. | Thurs., Oct. 13. |
| | Reg., | Oct. 13, 5 p.m. |
| | Ord., | Oct. 13, 5.30 p.m. |
| | G.P.O. | |
| | Reg., | Oct. 13, 5 p.m. |
| | Ord., | Oct. 13, 7 p.m. |
| Shanghai, Japan and Europe (except Great Britain, and Eire) via Siberia | Ranpura Kowloon P. O. | Thurs., Oct. 13. |
| | Reg., | Oct. 13, 5.00 p.m. |
| | Ord., | Oct. 13, 5.30 p.m. |
| | G. P. O. | |
| | Reg., | Oct. 13, 5.00 p.m. |
| | Ord., | Oct. 13, 7.00 p.m. |
| Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America and (Parcels and Papers only for Canada)—due Vancouver B. C., 2nd November | Emp. of Canada | Thurs., Oct. 13. |
| | Parcels, | Oct. 13, 5 p.m. |
| | Reg., | Oct. 14, 9.15 a.m. |
| | Ord., | Oct. 14, 10 a.m. |
| **Friday** | | |
| Samshui and Wuchow | Tai Hing | Fri., Oct. 14, 8.15 a.m. |
| Sandakan | Mausang | Fri., Oct. 14, 8.30 a.m. |
| Kongmoon | On Lee | Fri., Oct. 14, 9.30 a.m. |
| Hoihow | Nanchang | Fri., Oct. 14, 10.30 a.m. |
| Swatow | Sinkiang | Fri., Oct. 14, 10.30 a.m. |
| Swatow, Amoy and Foochow | Sagres | Fri., Oct. 14, 3.00 p.m. |
| Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 11th, November | Rajputana G. P. O. and K. P. O. | Fri., Oct. 14. |
| | Par., | Oct. 14, 5 p.m. |
| | Reg., | Oct. 15, 9.45 a.m. |
| | Ord., | Oct. 15, 10.30 a.m. |
| **Saturday** | | |
| Shanghai | Conte Biancamano | Sat., Oct. 15, 8.30 a.m. |
| Kongmoon | Kwong Fook Cheung | Sat., Oct. 15, 9 a.m. |
| Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 25th October. | Rajputana G.P.O. & K.P.O. | Sat., Oct. 15. |
| | Reg., | Oct. 15, 9.30 a.m. |
| | Ord., | Oct. 15, 10.00 a.m. |
| Haiphong | Tingsang | Sat., Oct. 15, 10.00 a.m. |
| Air Mail for "France—Orient Airways Service"—due Marseilles, 30th October. | Jean Laborde G.P.O. and K.P.O. | Sat., Oct. 15. |
| | Reg., | Oct. 15, 4 p.m. |
| | Ord., | Oct. 15, 4.30 p.m. |
| Air Mail for Sian, Lanchow, Changsha, and Chengtu, etc. (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (to further points by Surface transport as Services permit). | Eurasia Plane G. P. O. and K. P. O. | Sat., Oct. 15 |
| | Reg., | Oct. 15, 4.30 p.m |
| | Ord., | Oct. 15, 5 p.m. |
| Amoy | Anshun | Sat., Oct. 15, 5 p.m. |
| Saigon | Jean Laborde | Sat., Oct. 15, 5 p.m. |
| Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A., by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 23rd October | Pan-American Airways Plane Kowloon P. O. | Sat., Oct. 15. |
| | Reg., | Oct. 15, 5.00 p.m. |
| | Ord., | Oct. 16, 9.00 a.m. |
| | G. P. O. | |
| | Reg., | Oct. 15, 5.00 p.m. |
| | Ord., | Oct. 16, 9.00 a.m. |
| **Sunday** | | |
| Foochow | Hoihow | Sun., Oct. 16, 8.30 a.m. |
| Amoy and Chuanchow | Hsin Peking | Sun., Oct. 16, 9 a.m. |
| Swatow and Shanghai | Kaying | Sun., Oct. 16, 9 a.m. |
| Haiphong | Yingchow | Sun., Oct. 16, 9 a.m. |
| Tientsin | Taisang | Sun., Oct. 16, 9 a.m. |
| **Monday** | | |
| Amoy and Chuanchow | Hsin Peking | Mon., Oct. 17, 2.30 p.m. |
| Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London 24th October. | Imperial Airways Plane K.P.O. | Mon., Oct. 17. |
| | Reg., | Oct. 17, 5 p.m. |
| | Ord., | Oct. 17, 5.30 p.m. |
| | G.P.O. | |
| | Reg., | Oct. 17, 5 p.m. |
| | Ord., | Oct. 17, 7 p.m. |
| Air Mail for Malaya and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 24th Oct. | Imperial Airways Plane K.P.O. | Mon., Oct. 17. |
| | Reg., | Oct. 17, 5 p.m. |
| | Ord., | Oct. 17, 5.30 p.m. |
| | G.P.O. | |
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| | Ord., | Oct. 17, 7 p.m. |

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## JAPAN'S NOTE TO THE POWERS

(Continued from Page 1.)

ed the possible danger zones.—*United Press.*

### OFFICIAL NOTES RECALLED

Tokyo, Oct. 12.

The extension of the hostilities to South China just announced calls to mind the official notes addressed on June 20 of this year to the foreign diplomatic representatives in Tokyo.

These notes drew attention to the probable extension of the Sino-Japanese hostilities to that part of the Chinese territory south of the Yellow River and east of Sian, capital of Shensi Province, of Ichang, in Hupeh Province, Hengyang, in Hunan Province and Pakhoi, on the Tongking Gulf, and asked the foreign Powers concerned to take appropriate measures for the protection of the lives and property of their nationals resident in the stated areas.

The spokesman of the Foreign Office in this connection issued a statement that with the expansion of the Sino-Japanese incident there was grave danger that the hostilities would spread to that part of China south of the Yellow River and east of Ichang, Hengyang and Pakhoi, with the exception of the territory already under Japanese occupation, of the foreign Concessions and of foreign Leased Territory.

The statement said that prompted by the desire to minimize damage to to lives and property of nationals of third Powers in the above-mentioned area as a sequel to the Sino-Japanese hostilities, the Japanese Government made certain requests.

Third Powers concerned were asked to instruct their respective nationals or caretakers of property belonging to them in the affected area, firstly, to advise foreigners and foreign vessels not to approach Chinese military establishments in the said area; secondly, to display clear marks on foreign property in the said area and promptly to communicate such markings to the Japanese authorities; thirdly, not to allow Chinese troops to utilize or approach such property as otherwise the Japanese forces would be compelled to attack such property, for the protection of which the Japanese forces could not assume responsibility.

The statement declared that the Japanese Government had no intention to impose its request on third Powers, but it was highly desirable for the prevention of unfortunate incidents that foreigners should withdraw to safety from the said area if possible.

### WASHINGTON VIEWS

Washington, Oct. 12.

Diplomatic and political observers believe that Japan's surprise invasion of South China is an endeavour to crush the conflict.

Britain is chiefly concerned because of her heavy investments in the vicinity. However, the United States attitude to the Orient situation will probably remain unchanged.

It is pointed out that Britain tied up many ships in Europe owing to the recent European crisis, but is expected now to send part of the fleet to Singapore and Hongkong as a gesture of firmness.—*United Press.*

### JAPANESE COMMUNIQUE

The following statement was issued yesterday by the spokesman of the Foreign Office, Tokyo.

"Operations just undertaken in South China by Imperial Japanese forces are purely military operations for the purpose of intercepting the principal route of arms and munitions supply to the Chinese forces and destroying important points of hostile machinations against Japan.

"The policy hitherto pursued by the Japanese Government of respecting the rights and interests of Third Powers remains unchanged.

"Although best efforts will therefore be exerted for the prevention of any damage to them in the present operations, it is earnestly hoped that Third Powers will understand the real intentions of Japan and extend co-operation to the efforts of the Japanese forces and thereby preclude the occurrence of any untoward incidents."

## STRANDED KIAWO

### Jardine Ship Left Until Next July

Latest news received of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company ship Kiawo, which ran aground in the Yangtse gorges on September 27, states that the falling water has left the vessel high and dry and the work of refloating her has to be postponed until July next when the water will reach a sufficiently high level.

Cargo was taken off the vessel while the provincial authorities will make arrangements for guarding the ship until the time she can be refloated.

The Kiawo ran aground at the foot of Kuangyintan. She was holed in two places and her propeller shafts were reported bent. When the news of the accident reached the authorities, H.M.S. Gannet was despatched to the spot and assisted the distressed vessel until the rescue party arrived.—*N. C. D. News.*

## BRIDE FOR HONGKONG

A bride-to-be is among the passengers on the new P. and O. liner Canton, which grounded on a mud bank at Black Shelf, in the Thames, last week. She is Miss Rosamund Nora Thresholm Andrews, of 53 Tuddenham Road, Ipswich, Suffolk, England, and she will marry Mr. Rowland Connor, engineer, residing at the A.P.C. Quarters, North Point Installation, Hongkong.

The Canton is due in Hongkong about November 10.

## HEIR TO RUSSIAN TSAR DIES IN PARIS

(Continued from Page 1.)

world tour aboard the warship Rossia. He was a Captain when the Russo-Japanese war started and was a staff officer on the battleship Petropavlovsk which was torpedoed in the roads of Port Arthur in December 1904.

Cyril and his brother, Grand Duke Boris, swam in the icy waters until they were picked up by a torpedoboat, but 1,100 men of the crew were drowned as well as Admiral Makaroff and the celebrated painter Worestchaguine.

### MARRIED AGAINST CZAR'S WISHES

A few years later, Cyril's marriage against the desires of the Czar caused great commotion at court and set the Romanoffs in rival camps. After a wild youth, Cyril suddenly announced that he was going to marry Grand Duchess Victoria, a British princess by birth but the divorced wife of the Grand Duke of Hesse-Darmstadt, who was no other than the brother of Tsarina Alexandra Feodorovna, wife of Czar Nicolas II.

At the insistence of the Tsarina, Nicolas formally forbid the marriage, but Cyril disregarded the ruling of the chief of the family and married the woman of his choice. She was a sister of Queen Marie of Rumania, mother of the present King Carol. As a result of the marriage, Cyril and Nicolas were estranged and it was not until the start of the world war that the Czar finally forgave his cousin.

When forgiveness was granted, Cyril was named an Admiral and placed as Commander-in-Chief of the Imperial Maritime guard. This was a corps d'elite, destined to form the framework of the war fleet. He remained in that post throughout the war, until the Revolution.

Cyril never had made an effort to hide his liberal tendencies. In 1916, he sent a letter to the Czar warning him against the influence of Rasputin and insisting upon the necessity of reforms. There was no reply to the letter. Six months later, Rasputin was murdered; eight months later the Revolution broke out.

When a committee of the Douma proclaimed February 25 1917, the collapse of absolutism, Cyril spontaneously led his regiment of the Guards to the Douma and with a wide red sash across his breast, he placed himself at the disposition of the new authority. After the fall of the Kerensky provisional revolutionary government, Cyril migrated and took refuge firstly in Koburg, then came to France and took a modest villa in the Brittany fishing port of Saint Brieuc.

After he had obtained proof of the murder of the Czar and his family, and after the death of Grand Duke Nikolas and other Romanoffs, Cyril in 1922 proclaimed himself Chief of the Romanoff house of curator of the throne. He waited two years longer before proclaiming himself Emperor. Not all the Russian legitimists followed his however, and to them and to the famed Almanach Gotha, he remained Grand Duke Cyril.

His proclamation, however, was supported by the Young Russian (Mladorossy) party whose programme seeks to realize the welding of the Russian revolution and the monarchist idea. In emigree circles, Cyril was half-jokingly called the 'Soviet Czar".

His wife, Grand Duchess Victoria, died in 1935. They had three children; Grand Duke Wladimir, born at Haiko-Borego, Finland, August 17, 1917, who is now the Romanoff heir; Grand Duchess Kyra, born in Paris in 1909, and Grand Duchess Marie, born at Coburg in 1907, now married to Prince Charles of Leiningen.—*United Press.*

## OUTSIDER CARRIES OFF CAMBRIDGESHIRE

London, Oct. 12.

The French horse Helleniqua, ridden by the French jockey, Gumard, and starting at 50 to 1, to-day won the Cambridgeshire. The race resulted:

Helleniqua (Gumard) ..... 1
Khas Nadar (Elliott) ..... 2
Domaha (G. Richards) .... 3

Betting: 50 Helleniqua, 8 Khas Nadar, 100-9 Domaha.

Won by a head with a head between second and third.

Other starters:

Thankerton (Perryman), Golden Sovereign (Jones), Le Ksar (Semblat), Lylon II (Harry Wragg), Sir Tam (Carslake), Bombay Duck (Lowrey), Ramtapa (Beary), Edgehill (Nevitt), Magnet (Ovans), The Weed (P. Gomez), Carlisle (Weston), Couvert (Gardner), Artists Prince (Maher), Lady of Shalott (Sibbritt), Sea Bequest (Wells), Bland Star (Sprague), Agincourt (E. Smith), Bistolfi, (Sam Wragg), Moody (Cliff Richards), Gainly (D. Smith), Zalmis (Sirett), Desiderio (Tucker), Hazel (Richardson), Intolerance (Griggs), Clos Du Roi (Mullins), Quartier Maitre (Bertiglia).—*Reuter.*

## LOCAL THEOSOPHISTS

In view of the refugee situation, the Rt. R. O. Hall has found himself at the last moment unable to give his promised lecture this evening at the Manuk Lodge Room of the Theosophical Society. The meeting will therefore take the form of a memorial service to the late Mr. W. C. Felshow, and will be conducted by the Rev. Dr. Reichelt.

Next Thursday there will be an Open Question meeting on the subjects of Theosophy and Comparative Religion to which all who are interested are welcome.

## NOTED EVANGELIST

A reception in honour of Mr. J. Edwin Orr, world-famous Evangelist, was given by the Committee of the Edwin Orr Revival Meetings, Hongkong, at the European Y.M.C.A. yesterday.

Mr. Orr arrived by the Empress of Canada, and during his stay here will hold a number of revival meetings.


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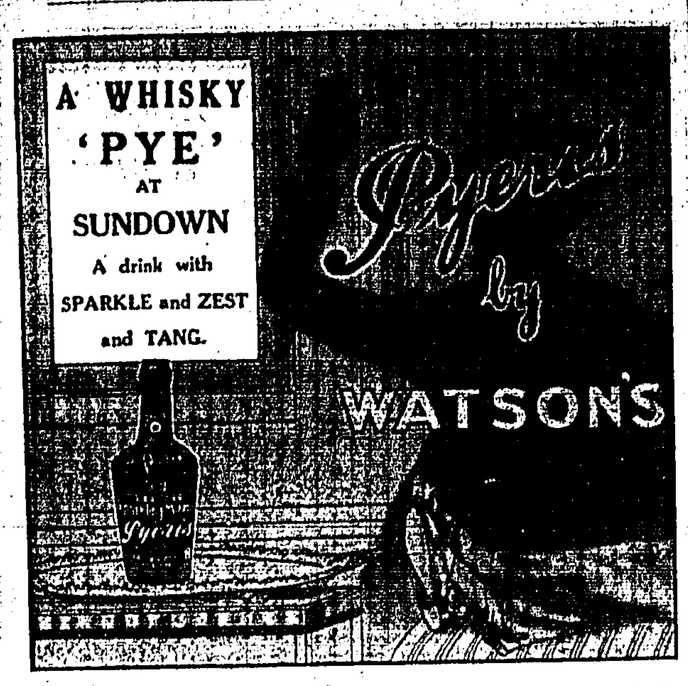


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## THE WAR COMES NEARER

Until the position in South China is clarified the not unexpected developments yesterday cannot be fully commented upon. It cannot be said that South China or Hongkong were unprepared for the invasion that has now become a reality. It has been known for some time in official circles in both China and Hongkong that the Japanese Imperial Government contemplated the creation of another major battle-field in that vast land that is China, and the latter country's preparations have included the massing of at least a quarter of a million troops in the area now threatened. In Hongkong, emergency regulations controlling the influx of refugees and Japanese and Chinese shipping have been the subject of correspondence between the Hongkong Government and London since January, and the regulations were actually gazetted a week ago.

If, as present reports indicate, Japan has landed only 30,000 troops for the South China invasion, the task is going to be the most difficult she has undertaken in China. Opposed to the Japanese invaders are an overwhelming force of the flower of the Chinese armies—Kwangsi and Kwangtung troops whose forefathers cradled the 1911 Revolution just over 27 years ago and later marched northwards to make Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek ruler of China. The fighting qualities of the Kwangtung troops are regarded as being much higher than those of the forces who fought the Japanese in Shanghai and Shantung, or of those now defending Hankow.

Hongkong as a neutral in the war between China and Japan, can be affected by the new emergency only by yet another rush of refugees. The problem of their segregation has been dealt with so promptly by the British authorities that there is no cause for anxiety that they will descend suddenly *en masse* on the urban areas, as did other and earlier refugees. The Government is to be congratulated that its wise preliminary preparations for segregating and caring for refugees at camps in the New Territories will not now render it necessary to guard and close the entire frontier. Hongkong, happily, is to-day in a position to offer sanctuary to these unfortunate victims of war.

The equilibrium with which official quarters in Hongkong regards the latest developments is indicated by the fact that the only military action has been to despatch 200 soldiers to the New Territories to aid the police in controlling the crowds of unfortunate people who undoubtedly will seek sanctuary in this British territory. Excitement, as in previous crises, will die almost as quickly as it has arisen.

Personalities of Old Hongkong

# Sir Hercules Robinson

By T. Paul Gregory

"MY appointment to Hongkong was regarded by my friends as a subject more fit for condolences than for congratulations." This was said by Sir Hercules Robinson nearly eighty-five years ago when he was nominated Governor of this Colony. Well he might be of this opinion; for then Hongkong had the worst possible reputation in England, not only for unhealthiness, but also for being a place officially as well as socially at ease with itself. Owing either to weakness or incapacity of the previous administration, things had been steadily going from bad to worse, and the community itself was in a complete state of disorganisation.

When he left, however, he could conscientiously say that during the six years of his stay he had seen Hongkong emerge from near chaos and develop from a second-rate outpost into a prosperous, populous and contented Colony, ranking first-class in official status in the Empire.

The man who accomplished all this was an Irishman, born about the year 1804. Like many others of his countrymen, Sir Hercules commenced his career by serving as a soldier in the British Army, joining the 87th Fusiliers. By 1846, he had risen to officer's rank, and owing to the serious famine brought about by the failure of the potato crop in his Homeland, he felt that he could better serve his country by acting in another capacity. Therefore, he tendered his resignation, and took up duties under the Commissioner of Public Works and Poor Law Board in Ireland designed to alleviate the suffering of the poverty-stricken masses. In this capacity, he served with credit until the year 1849, when he was appointed by the Government to sit on a Commission to enquire into the fairs and markets of Ireland.

### Rapid Promotion

So well done was this task that he won the commendation of the Government, and upon his deciding to enter the foreign service, he was nominated to serve as President of the British Island of Montserrat in the West Indies. His next appointment was that of Lieutenant-Governor of St. Christopher in 1854, with which he held the dormant commission of Governor-in-Chief of the Leeward Islands. This was but a short-lived appointment; for the Colonial Office had decided to name him as Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Hongkong. Upon his return Home to receive his instructions and commissions prior to proceeding to the Far East, he was knighted by Queen Victoria.

The task which was expected of him to perform in Hongkong was by no means an easy one, and the newly appointed administrator himself felt considerable misgivings about his future career in that "most notorious of all places in the Empire—Hongkong." The sensational charges of Mr. Thomas Chisolm Anstey, who had been appointed Attorney-General of Hongkong had set the whole Foreign Office by its ears, and Sir Hercules was expressly charged at the time of his departure in the summer of 1859 "to make an enquiry into the various charges raised by Mr. Anstey, but cautioned, however, against stirring up again *all that mess of mud which appears to embarrass society in Hongkong.*" In fact, the situation in the Colony was such that the entire community was a "veritable hot-bed of strife, discontent, and sullen vituperation—sparing no one in its baleful thoroughness—from the Governor himself to the occupant of the most minor official post." We can readily imagine the concern of the Home Government when according to contemporary accounts "most of the officials then spent the great proportion of their time in pointing out what were obviously abuses and adding fuel to the already formidable tempest in the colonial tea-pot."

### Overhauled Administration

Sir Hercules Robinson arrived in the Colony on September 7, 1854, and was sworn into office with the customary ceremonial two days later. His first official act was to allay suspicion and regain public confidence. To accomplish this, he proceeded to give the local administration the most thorough overhauling which it had received up to that time, and in this difficult task he was ably assisted by the Attorney-General, Mr. William Henry Adams. The local press now came into his sphere of cleaning-up activities; for the reckless libels indulged in by a considerable percentage of the old-time editors had reputedly poisoned the very atmosphere of the Colony, and reduced the profession of journalism to nothing more than a reprehensible policy of vicious "mud-slinging and muck-raking." The first libel case which was heard in the administration of the newly appointed Governor, was that of Major William Caine, erstwhile Chief Magistrate *versus* Mr. William Tarrant, editor of the *Friend of China*. This case which locally was a *cause celebre* was heard on September 21, 1854, and resulted in Mr. Tarrant being adjudged guilty and accordingly sentenced to a term of twelve months' imprisonment and to pay a fine of £50.

The subsequent injustice in connection with this affair resulted in the Governor being subjected to considerable criticism, and was the only flaw in what was a most excellent administration. As a result, however, of the attacks of his critics Governor Robinson determined to amend the newspaper law, and accordingly ordered passed the famous Ordinance No. 16 of 1860, which by laying strict penalties on newspapers for allegedly unethical practices brought local journalism into line with that of England, and the local press immediately set upon achieving a standard comparable with that of any other in the Empire.

The remaining five years of Sir Hercules' administration saw the Colony advance by leaps and bounds. In fact, from a modern point of view, the scheme of progress was well-nigh phenomenal; for not only did Hongkong advance in wealth and population, but also the revenue was doubled without any increase whatsoever in taxation. The areas of the Colony had been extended by the inclusion of the Dependency of Kowloon, and this act alone is sufficient for posterity to name Sir Hercules Robinson as one of the greatest of colonial administrators. The tremendous energy displayed by Sir Hercules in securing wholesale reform was emulated by the community at large, which within the short space of half a decade forgot the quarrels which seethed so violently but such a short while before, and began to occupy itself with the intention of making Hongkong really a fit place in which to live. It seems incredible that many of the amenities of our present Colony owe their existance to the energy and vision of Governor Robinson, and a few of these may be instanced: the commencement of the Praya, the Public Gardens, gas and water works, the extension of the suburban areas, the inauguration of a system of higher education, etc.

Consequently, upon his departure for Home on March 15, 1865, the residents felt the greatest regrets; for he not only had succeeded in uniting the quarrelsome factions of the community, but had left as his most fitting memorial a Colony in which people were proud to live, and upon his death in the late 'seventies, Hongkong felt that it had lost more than an efficient administrator, but a well-loved friend as well.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty

*"For not tellin' your wife, I want an extra day off—for not tellin' your opponent, I want a $5 raise."*

Margaret Sullavan, Helen Hayes, Walter Huston, Ann Dvorak, Bette Davis, Leslie Howard, James Cagney, Alfred Lunt, Lynn Fontanne, Myrna Loy, Charles Laughton & Franchot Tone—

# WALKED OUT OF HOLLYWOOD

MARGARET Sullavan, one of the very best actresses on the American stage, was persuaded to go to Hollywood.

While she was working on her first film she came to the conclusion that Hollywood was completely crazy.

The film, "Only Yesterday," was a great success. The studio was jubilant, and the great, big, beaming boss said to Margaret, "I hope you are happier now and don't think Hollywood silly any more."

Margaret replied, "I'm afraid I do. I think it a silly place, and you are one of the silliest people in it."

They said Margaret was temperamental, but temperament does not begin to explain the number of famous actors and actresses who have walked out of Hollywood.

### Boredom & Heartaches

FRANCHOT TONE is the latest star to shake the golden dust from his feet.

He is tired of what he calls its boredom and heartaches, and he is going back to the stage for a fraction of the salary he has been getting in films, but for many times the happiness.

The case of Franchot Tone is fantastic.

For years cinemagoers have been pleading for the starring of this actor in important films selected to suit his personality, especially since his acting in "The Lives of a Bengal Lancer."

But, unlike the people who go to the pictures, the men who rule Hollywood have never seemed to take this excellent actor to their hearts.

There is something very wrong and very insolent with the machinery of film production when it fails to retain the services of great actors and actresses.

By general consent, Helen Hayes is the best actress on the American stage.

Yet, when she was last in London, she told me she was sick of the impossible parts she had been given in Hollywood, and she added that she was sick of Hollywood itself.

"It is like living in a shop window," she said "Everything you do is publicised and distorted. If you do nothing, they invent something."

That is one aspect of working in Hollywood which many players find intolerable. They are not permitted to have private lives.

All American stars who come to London are astounded to find that they can work in studios like Pinewood or Denham during the day and move about like ordinary human beings in the evening.

But more serious in its effect on the careers of stars is the factory system which compels those in Hollywood to appear in so many films every year regardless of whether or not the stories are suited to their style of acting, and regardless of the limit to the number of pictures in which it is physically possible for any one actor to appear in any one year.

When James Cagney became a best seller among film stars he was invited to work himself to death. He said no. He rebelled, and he walked out.

The red-haired, fighting Irish star staged one of the biggest and best rebellions in Hollywood.

That was very daring of him, since out there the producers have a ring, and if you quarrel with one you are employed by none. Producers are as "thick" as thieves.

James Cagney walked out six years ago because he wanted more money, and again four years later because he felt his career would end unless he made fewer films.

There are plenty more who have walked out.

Four years ago Walter Huston left Hollywood vowing he would never return except for parts he felt he could play.

He told me that the factory system of film-making is liable to kill any actor.

Myrna Loy quit working in "Escapade" after two days, and fled to London to say that it had taken Hollywood three years to realise she could play something other than an Eastern vamp.

The case of Bette Davis rebelling against the conditions of her employment in Hollywood and being refused permission to play in a British picture will be remembered by all filmgoers.

She had declined to play in two other films before she starred in "Jezebel."

Ann Dvorak walked out because she was under contract at £50 a week and objected to being loaned at £200, of which she was to get nothing.

Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontanne quit films after they had played in "The Guardsman."

Leslie Howard has told me that he has far more artistic freedom in London than in Hollywood.

Charles Laughton walked out from a brilliant career in Hollywood to return to London to star in British films.

Many famous British players refuse to go to Hollywood merely because they fear the factory method of film-making.

It is not altogether the fault of Hollywood, since pictures have to be turned out in quantity and on time to satisfy the appetite of the huge cinema machine. But the cinema machine, in turn, was the creation of those who created Hollywood.

The producers have been caught in a web of their own weaving. The cameras must grind on, and the stars, like puppets, must be drilled and dieted, miscast and overworked.

Very often I wish I could take the film-struck to a studio for just one day to see this business of film-making.

The star must be up at six. He must be made-up ready to go on the set by nine. For a whole day—which often extends far into the night—he must live under the glare of studio lights that sap all energy.

### Lines, Lines, Lines

NERVE-RACKING delays, endless repetition of lines after they have lost all meaning, and a thousand and one accidents and irritations all tend to drive film stars mad.

The wages are excellent and the glamour is very nice. But the salaries do not last and the glamour is all on the surface.

It was Sam Goldwyn in one of his wise-cracks who said that a verbal contract in the film world is not worth the paper it is written on, but it was Sir Patrick Hastings who said that a Hollywood film contract was slavery with a silver lining.

Franchot Tone is not the only one who has found that the silver lining does not make up for the slavery.

Seton Margrave

# TWO DOCTORS HALF-STRANGLED FOR SCIENCE

## Head-in-Bag Tests to Save Lives

Leeds.

**Locking themselves in a room at a private house, two Leeds doctors—one 44 years old and married, the other single—half suffocated each other time after time to test a life-saving combination of gasses.**

All Dr. W. Stanley Sykes and 27-years-old Dr. Reginald C. Lawrence—anaesthetists at Leeds General Infirmary—would say about their experiment was: "What we discovered may be of value to the big hospitals."

By placing a rubber bag over their heads they restricted their breathing almost to nil and only gave up when the effects of semi-strangulation brought them to exhaustion.

### LASTED TEN MINUTES

While one of them underwent the test at a time his colleague held a watch and took note of the time that elapsed before suffocation point was reached.

They found that when the bag was filled with a mixture of helium and oxygen they could breathe longer than when the contents were ordinary air.

**Dr. Lawrence, a non-smoker, had the best return in ten tests—by lasting 10min. 21sec. before reaching exhaustion.**

"As we were using ourselves as subjects we disregarded Home Office regulations about killing the experimental animals at the close of the session," the doctors drily comment in the *British Medical Journal*.

"We tried to obtain many readings in one evening, and very soon found that the fatigue caused by semi-strangulation produced increasingly rapid intolerance to a repetition of the process."

Dr. Sykes and Dr. Lawrence came to the conclusion that an artificial atmosphere of helium and oxygen is about twice as easy to breathe as ordinary air, and that the mixture should be of great value in cases of respiratory obstruction or in cases in which it is essential to economise muscular effort.

**It is learned that helium-oxygen mixture is already proving its value in cases of post-operative collapse at Leeds General Infirmary.**

**In one case—that of a girl of 20 whose heart had almost stopped beating after a grave operation—the mixture saved her life.**

American doctors have for two years been using helium to replace nitrogen in the atmosphere breathed by patients in oxygen tents.

A mixture of helium-oxygen requires only one-third as much effort to breathe as air containing the same amount of oxygen.

The cost of the new helium is approximately 2s. 6d. per cubic foot. It is a by-product in the manufacture of oxygen from liquid air. It is possible that it will in future find a considerable application in deep-sea diving, as the light nature of the gas makes it easy to eliminate from the system.

Charge of manslaughter has been placed against Mildred Gaydon, Miami, Fla., night club cigarette girl, who drove her car with the Count of Covadonga as passenger when I hit a telegraph pole. Upper left, the Count, son of former King Alfonso of Spain, hemophilia victim, who bled to death from his injuries. Upper right, the wrecked car. Bottom, Miss Gaydon booked in Miami by Deputy Sheriff Desmond Kelly. At left is her sister Mary.

## 23 Rockets Fail—Last Saves Crew And Girl

Ten men and a girl, saved by their last rocket from the sloping decks of the disabled Glasgow steamer Girasol (648 tons) in the Irish Sea—they had fired 23 in vain—were landed at Liverpool and Cardiff recently.

Six of them reached the Mersey in the Yeoward liner Aguila (3,255 tons), whose passengers, returning from a trip to the Canaries, took part in a thrilling rescue race and secured snapshots of the drama for their holiday albums.

The other five, among them Deborah Halden, 19-year-old daughter of the Girasol's chief engineer, were landed at Cardiff by the coaster Shuna.

Miss Halden, who was thrown from her bunk when the ship listed and scrambled out in her pyjamas with a coat around her, was least perturbed of the rescued.

"It was a pretty nasty experience while it lasted," she said, "but I suppose we are lucky not to have suffered a worse fate."

### CREW'S STORY

The Girasol was on a voyage from Cardiff to Glasgow with a cargo of 300 tons of pig-iron when part of it shifted in a 75-mile-an-hour gale.

"We were off Bishop's Rocks, close to the Pembrokeshire coast when the cargo shifted and the Girasol heeled over at an alarming rate," said W. Cook, the mate, of Nevin, North Wales.

"We were soon listing at 45 degrees. It was impossible to walk the decks without clutching at supports.

"The gale whipped up the sea and it was bitterly cold as dawn was breaking. When we tried to launch a boat it smashed against the side and one of the firemen who was in it fell into the water with the debris. He clutched a lifeline and was pulled back to safety."

### SIGHTED TWO SHIPS

Second Engineer, W. Galbraith, of Ayr, said: "We fired 23 rockets without success, and, battling against the elements at 4 p.m. on Saturday—11 hours after the accident—we sent off the final one. We had almost given up hope.

"Then we sighted two vessels which had seen the distress signal, coming to our assistance. The wind was dying down and the sea becoming calmer, and boats were launched from the rescue vessels and we were all taken off safely."

While they clung to the decks one of the men tried to heliograph an S.O.S. with his shaving mirror, but the signals were not seen.

## BULLET PROVED MAN'S STORY OF ACCIDENT FALSE

**Accompanied by two warders from prison, Stanley Morgan Aldworth gave evidence at a Croydon inquest recently of how he accidentally shot Mrs. Kathleen Aspinwall (23), of Dingwall Road. It was revealed that the bullet had proved his original story to be false.**

Aldworth was sentenced at Croydon to three months' hard labour for receiving a revolver knowing it to have been stolen and for being in possession of ammunition without a permit.

Mr. E. C. Morey, the Deputy-Coroner, said:

"I don't want to moralise, but it is chiefly because Aldworth lied rather badly right at the beginning that I thought it right he should be present to-day on a Home Office order."

### "FOOLING ABOUT"

Mrs. Aspinwall was shot in Aldworth's home in Cecil Road, Thornton Heath, when Miss Queenie Hibbs, (known as Mrs. Aldworth) and a baby were also present.

At the hospital Aldworth said he had been fooling about with the cartridge trying to get the cap off with a chisel. Police pointed out, however, that the bullet showed it had gone through a barrel.

Miss Hibbs said: "We were all laughing and talking and chatting away, and all of a sudden I heard a noise like a whizz and a thump. It [redacted] was willing to take it. He took it out to clean it, opened part of it and then realised Mrs. Aspinwall might see it.

He closed it as quickly as he could and then there was a noise. He did not know there was a cartridge in it.

After the jury had returned a verdict of "Accidental death," the deputy coroner said, "I think it is a tragedy that a young wife of 23 should have lost her life in this way and I am certain that it will be a lesson to Aldworth for the rest of his life."

## "Touch Of A Vanished Hand . . ."

Cardiff.

Foraging among a book-seller's bargains here Oswald James, 64-year-old commercial traveller, of Exmouth, made a dramatic find.

Picking up a book, he turned to the fly-leaf and read:

"To you, dear, with love from Ada."

"Over 40 years ago, when I became engaged," he said, "my wife presented me with this book. It had been missing for many years, and how it came to be in Cardiff is a mystery.

"Although the handwriting is now very faint, I recognised it immediately.

"My wife is dead, but I shall carefully preserve this book as another cherished memory of happy days."

## England Must Have More Babies

—says doctor

**Dr. F. Grundy, Luton (Beds) medical officer, discussing the birth rate, says in the annual report, issued recently:—**

**"There is justification for stating that, if fertility and mortality remain what they are to-day, the bulk of the stock which now inhabits England is doomed to extinction within a comparatively short period.**

**"There is a strong desire, amounting in some cases almost to determination, not to have children. No longer is a large family . . . ground for respect, but rather are its creators regarded by the Man-in-the-Street as irresponsible.**

## MENINGITIS CURE

### New Drug Available In Hospitals

Following two remarkable cures, the new drug of the sulphanilamide group, known for short as M and B 693, is to be available generally to hospitals and doctors for the treatment of pneumococcal meningitis, a disease from which few have recovered in the past. It will also be available for the treatment of other diseases.

A seven-year-old girl, desperately ill with the disease, was admitted to the Royal Hospital, Wolverhampton, in July, and after eleven days' treatment with M and B 693 she had partially recovered. In mid-August she was in perfect health.

A 26-year-old carpenter, admitted to the Brompton Hospital, London, on June 27, was cured of septicaemia in six weeks.

As the result of the two cures, the makers received requests for supplies from doctors and hospitals in all parts of the world, but production was then only on a laboratory scale. It is now available in commercial quantities, and all the medical demands can be met.

The sale of the drug will be permitted solely on a physician's prescription.

## *Indians' Anger At "The Drum"*

Bombay.

A crowd of Moslems picketed Bombay's oldest theatre, where the film, "The Drum," is being shown. They object to it because of the aspersions which, they allege, are cast in it on the frontier Pathans. Propaganda has also been worked up for some days by the Nationalist newspapers, which say that the film is imperialistic jingoism and harmful to India's freedom.

At a public meeting a resolution was passed protesting against "The Drum" on the grounds that it "justifies the aggressive policy of British imperialism against the freedom-loving independent tribes of the North-West Frontier, depicting them as treacherous, wily and ferocious, and the British as the saviours of humanity." The Government is asked to ban the film.

Sabu, the 14-year-old Indian boy appears in "The Drum," which was produced by Alexander Korda. It was shown in Singapore recently.

## EYSTON'S GOLD STAR

**The British Racing Drivers' Club Committee has awarded special gold stars to Capt. George Eyston in recognition of his land speed record of 345.49 m.p.h., and to R. J. B. Seaman, who recently won the German Grand Prix.**

## *Gangs In Battle At Billingsgate*

**GANGS FOUGHT WITH RAZORS AND KNIVES IN BILLINGSGATE MARKET RECENTLY.**

**WHEN THE POLICE ARRIVED THEY FOUND THE GANGS HAD FLED LEAVING ONE MAN ON THE GROUND WITH SEVERE KNIFE INJURIES TO HIS HEAD.**

**HE WAS TAKEN TO HOSPITAL AND THE WOUND WAS STITCHED UP. HIS CONDITION WAS SO SERIOUS THAT HE WAS KEPT THERE.**

**A SECOND MAN WAS SADLY CUT FROM THE LEFT EAR TO THE SHOULDER BY A RAZOR.**

## RADIO BROADCAST

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**7.24 Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards.**
Coronation Processional Music (Selected from the Music in the Royal Procession, Coronation Day, May 12, 1937); The Changing Of The Guard—Ceremony....with words of command.
**7.40 Studio—Z.B.W. Orchestra.**
1. Three Dances (Cyril Scott): 1. Gavotte; 2. Eastern Dance; 3. English Dance; 2. Record: A Summer Night (Marziais and Goring Thomas....Doris Vane (Sopranb) with Piano and 'Cello Obbligato; 3. Una Notte sul Volga (Russo).
8 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
**8.03 Studio—Z.B.W. Orchestra.**
4. Blumen Serenade (Leonardi); 5. Smoky Clouds (Ranzato); 6. "Die Csardasfurstin" (Kalman)—Selection.
**8.30 London Relay—"At The Black Dog."**
Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour. Presented by S. E. Reynolds and Pascoe Thornton.
**9 Cortot at the Piano.**
Ballade No. 2 In F Major, Op. 38 (Chopin); Ballade No. 3 In A Flat Major, Op. 47 (Chopin).
**9.15 London Relay—"World Affairs."**
A talk by H. Wickham Steed.
**9.30 London Relay—The News.**
**9.50 Songs by Miliza Korjus (Soprano).**
The Maidens Of Cadiz (Delibes); Serenade (Moszkowsky) ..Orchestra cond. by Bruno Seidler-Winkler.
**10 London Relay—"After The Tempest."**
A fantastic comedy by Geoffrey Trease; Characters: Lady Marten; Major Tony Manners; The Hon. Freddie Fitzrain; Prudence Marten; Nova; On a Pacific island, some twenty years in the future, stands the hut shared by the two women of a small party of castaways, Lady Marten and her daughter Prudence; Production by Howard Rose.
**10.30 Dance Music.**
Quick-step—I Wasn't Lying When I Said 'I Love You'; Waltz—Oh, Mr. Man In The Moon....Henry Jacques with His Correct Dance Tempo Orchestra; Fox-Trots—A Fine Romance (from 'Swing Time'); The Way You Look To-night (from 'Swing Time')....Ambrose and His Orchestra with vocal chorus; Six-Eight—Andalusia; Comedy Waltz—I'm Popeye, The Sailorman (from 'Popeye, the Sailor')....Sydney Kyte and His Piccadilly Hotel Band with vocal chorus; Fox-Trots—Love Ain't Nothin' But The Blues....Frankie Trumbauer and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Cherry....The Big Chocolate Dandies with Vocal Refrain; Waltz—One Kiss In A Million; Fox-Trot—Love, Please Stay.....Henry Jacques with His Correct Dance Tempo Orchestra.
11 Close Down.

## LOCAL SUCCESSES

### Accountancy and Commerce Examinations

Mr. Lim Talk-sim, of Hongkong, a student of the School of Accountancy and Commerce, was successful in winning the gold medal awarded for overseas candidates at the half-yearly examination of the International Institute of Accountants, which was held in June last.

There was an increased number of examinees both in Australia and Overseas who sought to qualify. Mr. D. G. Payne, of Sydney, was successful in winning the gold medal awarded in connection with the Australian examinees.

A large number of students of the Hongkong School were also successful in passing examinations in bookkeeping, law, auditing, shorthand and typewriting.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 12.30 p.m. yesterday, says:

Market was neglected with prices showing a small decline.

Buyers
Union Watersboats $9
Peak Trams (Old) $6¼
Star Ferries $77
Sandakan Lights $10
Telephones (New) $9
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Govt. 3½% Loan par.

Sellers
China Lights (Old) $11.15
Macao Electrics $17½

Sales
Hotels $7.05
Lands $38¼
Electrics $39½
Antamoks Pe. .37
Baguio Gold .24½
Benguet Consol 11.00
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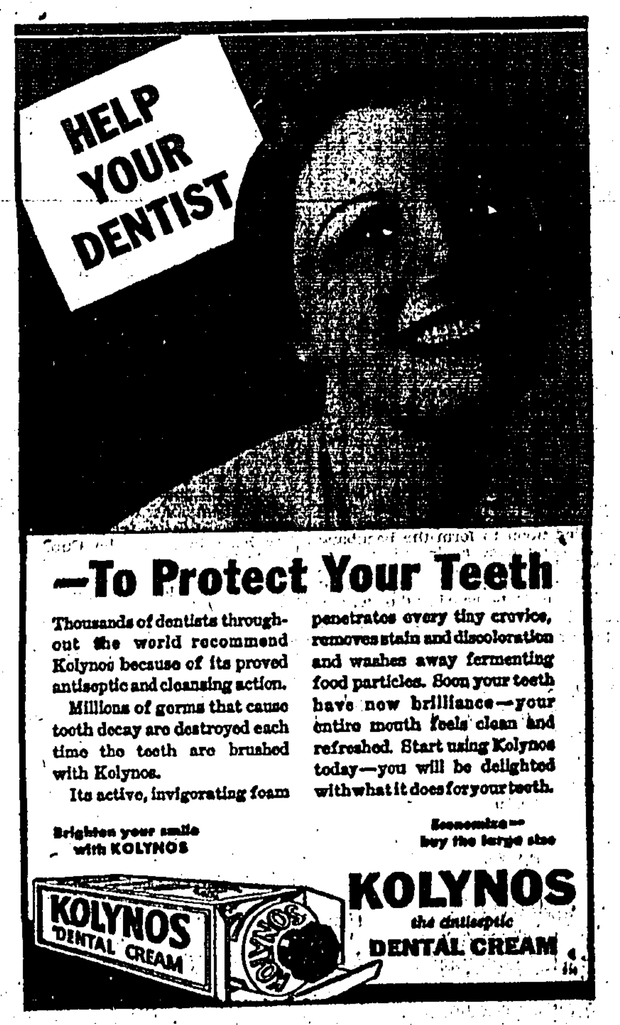


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# H. K. H. A. TAKES STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION

## TO RUN TOURNEY OF ITS OWN IN COMING SEASON

### ELEVEN TEAMS TO TAKE PART IN COMPETITION

(By "The Pilgrim")

**The most pleasing feature of local hockey this season is that the Hongkong Hockey Association, with the unanimous approval of all clubs concerned, has decided to run a tournament of its own, as suggested by me in the "Hongkong Telegraph" last season.**

The tournament commences on October 23 and takes the place of the Mamak and United Tournaments. It is open to the Services. Sergeant Mettam, R.E., late secretary of the United Hockey Clubs, is the new Tournament secretary and possesses a Committee of four to assist him.

If the tournament is properly organised—I am certain it will be—there is no reason at all why it should not be a success. It will probably provide the Association with an incentive to investigate the possibilities of acquiring a ground of its own—another consideration very vital to the game here.

Hockey has now become a very important sport in the Colony and has a very large following of active participants. I am glad, therefore, to see that the Association has taken a step in the right direction.

Eleven teams will participate in the Tournament. They are as follows:—C.B.A., Recreio, Radio and Postal S.C., Queen's College, University, R.A.F., Nomads, R.A.O.C., K.I.T.C., Police "A" and Police "B".

The winning team will meet the Army and the Navy in a Triangular Tournament.

**OFFICIALS**

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Hon. Secretary.—R. Henderson.

Hon. Treasurer.—A. M. Xavier.

Civilian Council Members.— G. E. R. Divett, J. Gonsalves, D. Smith and A. E. P. Guest. Two members from the Army and two from the Navy will complete the Council.

Umpires Hockey Board.—K. Hussain (Secretary), A. E. P. Guest, Commdr. Bowerman and Lieut. Douglass.

Interport Selection Committee.—G. T. Palmer (Civilians), one Army and one Navy representative.

Tournament Sub-Committee.—Sgt. Mettam (Secretary), L. C. Pennell, D. Smith, A. E. P. Guest and G. E. R. Divett.

The four girls who took part in the recent swimming meet between the Hongkong aquatic touring team and the Singapore Chinese Swimming Club. The Hongkong stars carried off most of the events. Left to right:—Miss Chan Woon-khing, Miss Lye Sou-lucen, Miss Annie Yeo and Miss Chan Yuk-khing.

## Boxer Tells Court Wife Beat Him

Chicago, Oct. 6.

Menrad Kraus, a professional boxer, petitioned the Superior Court for a divorce. He charged that his wife had beaten him, torn off his shirt and kicked him. — *United Press.*

## Hockey Club Trounces Royal Scots

(By "The Pilgrim")

Ten minutes after the start of their game at King's Park last evening against the Royal Scots, the Hongkong Hockey Club took the lead through V. Bond, who found the net with an excellent shot, Robb in goal being completely deceived.

Each team took the field with only ten men, but Meikle completed the Scots' side after the goal had been scored. J. Gosano was later called upon to fill the Club's right wing berth.

In the first half, the Scots, with Williamson, Allan and Fargus, took considerable time to settle down, but did not have much luck in front of goal.

In the second half, the Club maintained improved form and Divett added two further goals for his side, the first off a short corner hit and the second off a neat centre from V. Bond on the left wing.

The civilians were definitely on top, the soldiers finding it extremely difficult to penetrate a sound defence in which W. A. Reed, as pivot was the deciding factor. Full marks must also be accorded H. J. D. Lowe, N. Whitley and E. V. Reed for the excellent work which they did.

G. E. R. Divett shaped like a good leader, with T. Whitley and Bickford prominent as the inside men.

The Scots were far below their normal strength but their defence put up a stout resistance. The man of the side, however, was Sgt. Fraser, his constructive work at centre-half being clever. However, he seldom received support from his forwards. Archibald and Marshall were also efficient defenders. Allan schemed cleverly at times, but apart from Fargus got little response from the rest of the attack.

The game was entertaining if not brilliant.

**Rugby Notes**

## *Club Should Be Able To Develop A Good Attack This Season*

### *Last Trial Game Held At Happy Valley Yesterday*

(By "Fly-Half")

**The rugger section of the Hongkong Football Club held their last practice trial at Happy Valley yesterday. In the course of the game, many players were tried at various positions.**

Owing to pressure of work, several members were absent, but nevertheless there was a good work-out. Amongst those who were away were Hynes and Munro.

Of those on view, Bidwell, Butcher, Redmond, Henderson and Cessford showed up to advantage. In the last quarter of an hour, a potential Club team over-ran the rest, the forwards, Watson, Carey, Bompas, Oliphant, Stark, Heath, Taylor and Richardson being far too good for the opposing pack.

The three's were given every opportunity and scored at their ease, with Bidwell, Berkhart and Grieve to the fore.

It is predicted that there will not be many changes from the team fielded against the rest yesterday.

With McGrath at full-back and Chadwick and Thomas on the wing, the Club should have a very good attack. Luscomb, at scrum half, gave a very promising display.

At the line-out, Taylor, Stark and Stout were seen to advantage.

On Saturday, the season will open with the Club playing the Army and a Club "A" meeting a Navy XV.

The Club teams will be announced shortly. I hope to write something on the week-end games.

### RESULTS OF HOME RUGGER MATCHES

London, Oct. 12.

The following were the results of rugby matches played to-day:

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| Berkshire (at Reading) | 14 | Middlesex | 20 |
| Derbyshire (at Chesterfield) | 0 | Durham | 11 |
| Devon (at Plymouth) | 0 | Police Union | 0 |
| Gloucestershire (at Cheltenham) | 10 | North Midlands | 8 |

—*Reuter.*

### LARRY MONTES TO VISIT JAPAN

Manila, Oct. 12.

Larry Montes, well-known Philippines golfer, has returned to Manila from Australia. In an interview, Montes said he would participate in the golf tournament at Tokyo shortly. He will pass through Hongkong and Shanghai on his way to Japan. —*Trans-Ocean.*

### CELTIC WIN HOME GAME EASILY

London, Oct. 12.

Celtic easily won their home match in the First Division of the Scottish Football League to-day against Queen O'South, scoring five times to their opponents' solitary tally.—*Reuter.*

## Saints to Make Bold Bid for Caer Clark Cup This Season

What I saw of the St. Andrew's Ladies at practice on their home ground last Saturday convinced me that the team is determined to make a bold bid for the Caer Clark Cup this season.

Mr. Fox, their coach, is rather optimistic with regard to the prospects of the team. I wish them well.

The team is fortunate in having the services of Miss P. Petigura, the well-known Shanghai Interporter and left-half. With Miss J. Wong, who is now having a rest after a bout of malaria, at centre-half, the Saints will possess one of the strongest intermediate lines in ladies' hockey this season.

Miss Marie Roza, at centre-half, caught the eye. She should, I imagine, do well at right back in partnership with Miss Gertie White.

The newcomers, Miss T. Jex, Miss K. Ho, Miss M. Newman and Miss H. O'Sullivan gave of their best, but they have yet to hit the ball much harder if they hope to improve.

Of the old brigade, Miss F. Wong, attired in a very comfortable outfit, Miss Eva Churn, Miss Phyllis Gittins, Miss Y. Ho, Miss D. Drew, Miss Stella Roberts and Miss J. Hall seemed in ship-shape form for the strenuous season ahead.

The Saints are running one senior team this season, as their junior XI, composed of the D.G.S. girls, are in future turning out for the school. The Saints were runner-up in the League last year and their prospects this season are undoubtedly very bright indeed.

## Champions Not up To Last Year's Form

The Y.M.C.A. Ladies (present Caer Clark Cup champions) were also out on their ground for practice at King's Park last Saturday.

Many familiar faces were missing, and from what I hear, the champions won't be as formidable this season. Mrs. O. Burnett, Miss A. Fowler and Miss Marie Smith gave a very impressive display and will be called upon to form the backbone of the team once again this season. Miss I. Buchanan, Miss A. Ambrose and Mrs. Williams also did useful work the last-named, who was a reserve in the Shanghai Interport XI, should secure her place in the 1st team with ease.

A recruit, Miss B. Harker, at inside-left, was the most brilliant player on view. She possesses a fine burst of speed and in her the "Y" Ladies have their one and only capture of the new season.

The champions will have to get down to serious team-building if they hope to retain the Cup. Like St. Andrew's the "Y" have only a handful of players to call upon and are only capable of fielding a senior XI.

## Here And There With "Pilgrim"

THOUGH the Y.M.C.A. lost 4-1 to the Rajputana Rifles last Saturday, they were by no means disgraced. In young R. Kempton, they have a splendid right-half in the making. He intercepts and tackles well, but his feeding is poor at the moment. He would be well advised to flick the ball to his forwards and bear in mind that his right wing must be fed.

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T. DAWSON played a grand game at centre-half and he too would do well to keep his wing men in action. "Bunny" Austen, after his recent tour of the Straits, was in the pink; so much so that he made his presence felt when playing for the C.B.A. against the Royal Scots next morning. Kraus, as leader, had an off-day, but Rose and Bartlett were live-wires in the attack

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IT was the first occasion I had of seeing Lieut. Indergit Singh in action for the Rajputana Rifles, and he proved himself a real opportunist. In him the Rifles have discovered a worthy successor to Lieut. Pritam Nath. I can't see many teams having the best of the Riflemen this season.

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LAST Sunday morning, the C.B.A. were quite at home on their rain-affected ground, and their 5-3 victory over the Royal Scots was a very creditable effort. Blake, on the left wing, was very fast, but to be effective he has yet to manipulate his stick correctly. He is a natural left-winger and should improve as the season progresses.

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ANOTHER useful youngster at inside right was Kannard, who has the inclination of hanging too far back instead of being well up with the attack. He too has speed and once he settles down should prove a great asset to the team.

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THE Royal Scots played a very aggressive type of game and in Paterson, Hitchcock and Meikle they possess a dangerous inside trio. More science would take them a long way in local hockey. The team is well-balanced without being brilliant, and should give a good account of themselves this season.

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ON the Marina ground on Sunday, the Nomads had a trouncing to the tune of 9-0 at the hands of the Kumaon Rifles. Fielding a rather weak team, the Nomads expected the beating, but though they lost badly they enjoyed the encounter immensely.

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THE umpiring in this match left much to be desired and the new rules were seldom enforced. The Kumaons' umpires, I am positive, were not aware of the latest rules and one glaring incident occurred when the Kumaons' goal-keeper was pulled up for obstruction and a penalty bully awarded. Instead of taking the bully himself as he was the offending player, the centre-forward took it and thereby prevented a goal being scored. The Nomads made no protest as it was just a friendly game, but such an important and common rule must always be adhered to and the umpire in particular should be informed.

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THE Kumaon Rifles, with such goal-scoring factors as Hayat Singh, Umed Singh and Kunwar Singh, were much too good for their opponents.

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I AM very much surprised to see the non-entries of the Hongkong Hockey Club and the Y.M.C.A. in the H.K.H.A. Tournament. This is the first time the Association has commenced such an adventure and the Club and "Y" could have at least given the Association their support for one season. Many clubs at present in the Tournament are very disappointed.

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THE twin sisters, M. and J. Booker, are, I believe, turning out for the C.B.A. ladies this season. Miss Iris Woolley, the C.B.A. captain, I am sure, is proud of her two captures.

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MR. K. Hussain, the popular secretary of the Umpires' Hockey Board, has again been elected to act in the same capacity this season. He certainly did his stuff in appointing umpires for the ladies' League last season and in addition he will have his hands full with the new H.K.H.A. Tournament. He will satisfy everybody, I feel sure.

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J. M. PINTO, the well-known K.I.T.C. player, is back again after a short holiday in Goa. He had a game or two when passing through Bombay, and is pleased to be back in the Colony in time for the hockey season.

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## Malayan Rugby Visit To Hongkong Now Becomes Definite

Singapore, Oct. 6.

**It is now definite that a Malayan rugby side will tour Hongkong next February, and it is more than likely that a Shanghai team will be in Hongkong at the same time.**

The probability of a triangular contest is being discussed. Whether the visits will coincide or not is the problem, but it is understood that both teams will play there in February.

It is considered likely that both Malayan and Shanghai authorities will be asked to co-operate as far as possible with regard to the visit of their teams.

An Army rugby team also will visit Hongkong at the end of this month.

The All-Malayan team for Hongkong will also include Army players and it is possible that they will constitute the bulk of the touring side on account of the difficulty civilian players will have obtaining leave.

As Army players will have a sound idea of the strength and weakness of Hongkong rugby following their trip at the end of this month, the Malayan rugby team in February should be able to give a good account of themselves.

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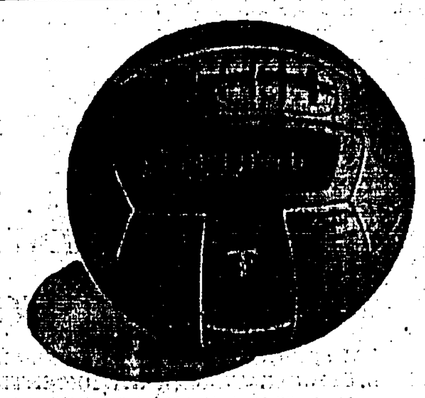

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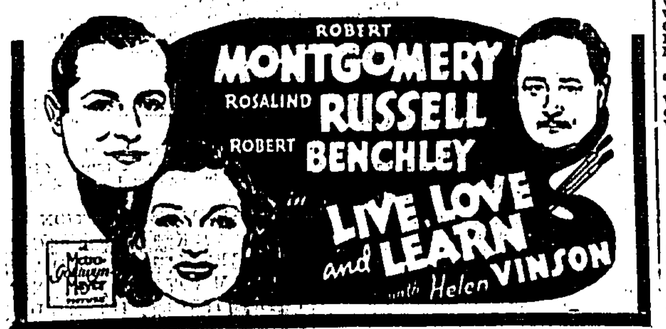



Cricket

# Australians Lose By 10 Wickets

## First Defeat Outside Tests Since 1921

From Wendell Bill

Scarborough, Sept. 13.

There was plenty of excitement here to-day when, contrary to expectations and the trend of the game, H. D. G. Leveson-Gower's XI. succeeded in defeating the Australians by 10 wickets.

This was the first defeat of an Australian touring team in this country—outside Test matches—since 1921, when Mr. C. I. Thornton's XI.—also at Scarborough—and An England XI. at Eastbourne both beat the tourists. No county side has beaten the Australians since 1912.

There were various indications to-day that the Australians were a mentally and physically tired team, and their second innings total of 102 was their lowest this summer.

Only Brown was capable of halting the bowlers' triumphant march and wickets tumbled so rapidly that Sutcliffe and Hutton faced a mere 46 runs for victory.

In the early play, Ward showed some batting skill, but when both he and Fingleton were disposed of there was only Brown to stand in the way of Bowes and Verity, who reaped a harvest of wickets. Fingleton showed aggressive inclinations and was sighting the ball well when Gibb brought off a really fine catch on the leg-side to bring about his downfall.

Brown continued to defend stubbornly until the end, and had he found adequate support it is possible he would have succeeded in saving the match for his team.

The second innings was a triumph for the Yorkshiremen in the eleven, for they helped in the dismissal of every Australian except Ward. Bowes bowled his swingers particularly well and Verity conceded only 17 runs in 19 overs.

AUSTRALIANS

| | |
|---|---|
| J. H. Fingleton, c Farnes, b Nichols | 17 |
| W. A. Brown, lbw, b Nichols | 29 |
| C. L. Badcock, c Gibb, b Nichols | 12 |
| †S. J. McCabe, c Wyatt, b Nichols | 56 |
| S. Barnes, c & b Nichols | 99 |
| *B. A. Barnett, c & b Farnes | 14 |
| M. G. Waite, c Hardstaff, b Farnes | 77 |
| W. J. O'Reilly, c Verity, b Farnes | 0 |
| F. Ward, c Bowes, b Verity | 3 |
| L. O'B. Fleetwood-Smith, b Nichols | 1 |
| E. L. McCormick, not out | 0 |
| L-b | 0 |
| Total | 308 |

AUSTRALIANS—2ND INN.

| | |
|---|---|
| J. H. Fingleton, c Gibb, b Bowes | 20 |
| W. A. Brown, not out | 33 |
| C. L. Badcock, b Bowes | 0 |
| †S. J. McCabe, b Bowes | 1 |
| S. Barnes, b Verity | 1 |
| *B. A. Barnett, lbw, b Bowes | 12 |
| M. G. Waite, b Bowes | 0 |
| W. J. O'Reilly, c Bowes, b Farnes | 0 |
| F. Ward, b Nichols | 20 |
| L. O'B. Fleetwood-Smith, st Gibb, b Verity | 5 |
| E. L. McCormick, Absent, hurt | 0 |
| B 2, l-b 2, n-b 1 | 5 |
| Total | 102 |

H. D. G. LEVESON-GOWER'S XI.

| | |
|---|---|
| Sutcliffe, lbw, b O'Reilly | 25 |
| Hutton, c Barnett, b O'Reilly | 73 |
| Barnett, st Barnett, b Ward | 6 |
| Leyland, b Fleetwood-Smith | 51 |
| †H. E. S. Wyatt, c Ward b Fleetwood-Smith | 1 |
| Hardstaff, b O'Reilly | 108 |
| *P. A. Gibb, lbw, b O'Reilly | 46 |
| Nichols, lbw, b McCabe | 9 |
| Verity, not out | 22 |
| Bowes, not out | 2 |
| B 15, l-b 7, n-b 3 | 25 |
| Total (8 wkts. dec.) | 363 |

K. Farnes did not bat.

Second Innings: Sutcliffe not out 36, Hutton not out 9, l-b 1. Total (no wkt.) 46.

AUSTRALIANS—First Innings

| | O. | M. | R. | W. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Farnes | 23 | 3 | 75 | 3 |
| Bowes | 22 | 5 | 70 | 0 |
| Nichols | 26 | 1 | 113 | 6 |
| Verity | 10.1 | 1 | 43 | 1 |

Second Innings

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Farnes | 8 | 4 | 10 | 1 |
| Nichols | 14 | 3 | 26 | 1 |
| Bowes | 16 | 6 | 42 | 6 |
| Verity | 19.2 | 10 | 17 | 2 |

LEVESON-GOWER'S XI—First Innings

| | O. | M. | R. | W. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| McCormick | 6 | 2 | 28 | 0 |
| Waite | 20 | 3 | 51 | 0 |
| Ward | 28 | 2 | 92 | 1 |
| O'Reilly | 25 | 5 | 75 | 4 |
| Fleetwood-Smith | 17 | 1 | 75 | 2 |
| McCabe | 6 | 0 | 17 | 1 |

O'Reilly bowled two no-balls, Waite one.

Second Innings

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Waite | 5 | 1 | 18 | 0 |
| O'Reilly | 5 | 1 | 24 | 0 |
| Ward | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 |

Umpires: Newman, Dolphin.

## LOCAL ESTATE

Local estate valued at $20,300 was left by the late Mrs. Maria Antonia de Souza Freire Corte Real, formerly of Shanghai, who died there on October 18, 1937.

Letters of administration, with the will annexed, have been granted to Mr. P. M. Hodgson.

Chester Morris is shown in a scene from RKO Radio's "Smashing the Rackets," picturization about crime-busting. Morris and Frances Mercer head the cast. The picture opens at the Alhambra Theatre to-morrow.

# Engineers Draw With Kumaon Rifles

At Happy Valley yesterday the Engineers and the Kumaons played a drawn game, each side scoring twice. It was a well fought game with both sides playing fast vigorous football. The Sappers had the best of matters territorially, but owing to the quick tackling of the Kumaon defence, and bad shooting on their own part, they failed to make the most of their chances, and the Kumaons snatched a deserved point.

The Kumaons played fast if not clever football and insted the pace much better than did the Sappers. Dhan Singh in goal made some brilliant saves, while Tarr and Partap Singh were a very hardworking combination and gave nothing away. Rami Chand was the best of the halves. In the forward line Sher Singh was outstanding and scored two goals.

The Sappers were best served by Duddridge at centre half in the first half and when he changed over to inside right in the second half. The forwards were on the whole weak in shooting ability. The defence was adequate.

In the first half the Sappers had the bulk of the play and were quickly one up through Ings but the Kumaons stuck to their task and Sher Singh netted. After the resumption the Kumaons had more of the play and Sher Singh put them ahead. Five minutes from time Duddridge scored from a penalty to level matters.

Sappers.—Welford; Heath, E. Woods; Crosby, Duddridge, Sarsfield; Pyke, Ratcliffe, Ings, Thomas, Elsby.

Kumaons.—Dhan Singh; Tarr, Partap Singh; Kishan Singh, Gopal Sarki, Rami Chand; Dewan Singh, Fakir Singh, Ser. Singh, Pan Singh, Umed Singh.

## INDOOR BOWLING

### Scoreless Wonders Beat Strawberry Hill

In a first round match of the Ewo Indoor Bowling League played at the Hongkong Bowling Alleys on Tuesday, the Scoreless Wonders defeated Strawberry Hill by 552 points. The scores were:

Scoreless Wonders

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Doc Moulthan | 177, 122 and 119 | =358 |
| Gene | | |
| Faggiano | 112, 166 and 148 | =447 |
| Sam Church | 129, 146 and 150 | =425 |
| E. Hearther | 151, 167 and 103 | =481 |
| Total | | 1,711 |

Strawberry Hill

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| P. Snaith | 86, 103 and 119 | =308 |
| G. Gompertz | 86, 112 and 108 | =306 |
| A. B. Stafford | 95, 98 and 85 | =278 |
| G. J. P. Carey | 98, 92 and 77 | =267 |
| Total | | 1,159 |

# SUCCESSFUL YEAR IS REPORTED

## Craigengower C.C. Meeting On October 25

The annual general meeting of the Craigengower Cricket Club will be held on Tuesday, October 25. Financially, the Club has had a very successful year, as is mentioned in the report which will be presented at the meeting.

In the Cricket League, the Club's first eleven finished at the top of the table, tying with the Indian R.C., while the junior team were second to the Navy in the second division. The Lawn Bowls teams did not have the success which had been theirs for the past few seasons; the Club finished third in both the first and second divisions, while the third team was in the lower half of the league table. The Colony Singles Championship, however, was won by B. W. Bradbury, President of the Club, and three players have been selected to represent the Colony against Shanghai in the coming Interport contests.

Considerable keeness in tennis was displayed by the members during the season, though the Club tournaments have not yet been decided, and the Club whist drives and tombolas were very successful social events. The billiards tables have been reconditioned, but support from the members has shown a falling off.

The Clubhouse, though affected to a certain extent by white ants, is in excellent condition. Membership shows an increase of 18 over last year. Forty-seven new members joined, six were reinstated, 26 resigned, and six were struck off.

The report concludes with an expression of deep regret over the deaths of W. D. Braidwood and E. H. Inchcombe. The former was the founder of the Club.

## SWEEPSTAKE RACES

### "A" And Mixed Class Yachts Compete

Sweepstake races were held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday over a distance of 7.4 miles, being first in the "A" class which started at 14.45 and Ariel in the mixed classes which started at 14.55. Results:

"A" Class

| | Finished | Corrd. | Pos |
|---|---|---|---|
| Eve (E. Bader). | 16.16.40 | —— | 1 |
| Teal (J. E. Dobbs). | 16.17.20 | —— | 2 |
| La Linda (Mrs. M. I. Johnstone). | 16.17.49 | —— | 3 |
| Kittiwake (Miss P. M. King). | 16.18.59 | —— | 4 |
| Jean (R. W. Smales). | 16.20.13 | —— | 5 |
| Joss (P. H. MacMillan). | 16.21.00 | —— | 6 |
| Maureen (R. Lawder). | 16.25.20 | —— | 7 |
| Gull | D.N.F. | | |

Mixed Classes

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Ariel (Drew Wilkinson). | 16.16.53 | 16.16.49 | 1 |
| Colleen (E. D'A. Staunton). | 16.19.28 | —— | 2 |
| Widgeon (Miss H. Crawhall Wilson). | 16.19.36 | 16.19.44 | 3 |
| Ailsa (W. G. Ingram). | 16.30.43 | 16.21.28 | 4 |
| Robena (R. R. Lindsay). | 16.35.00 | 16.24.31 | 5 |

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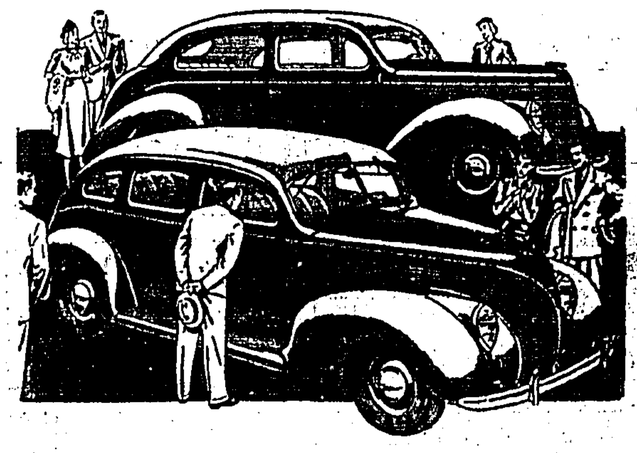

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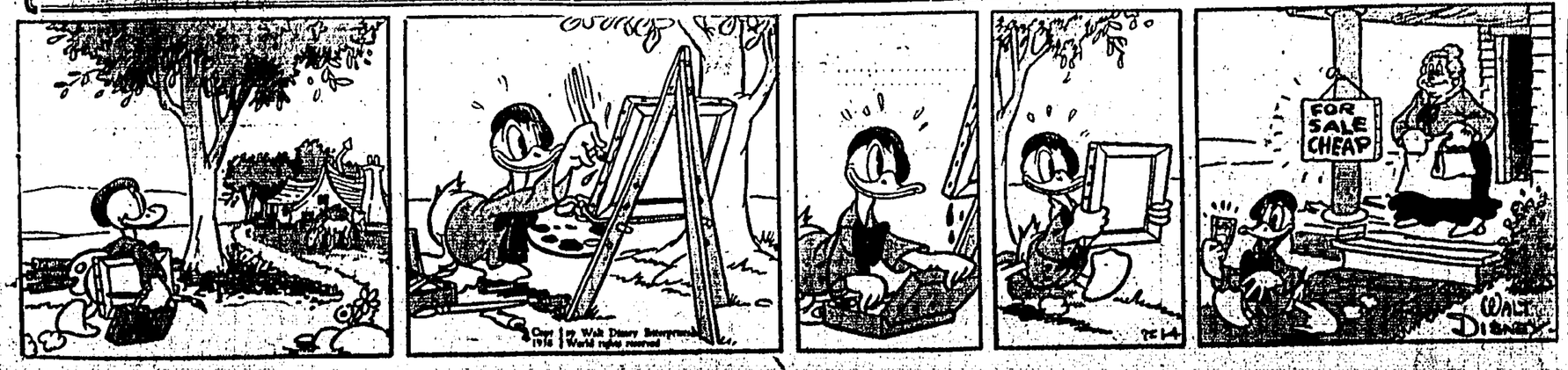


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# YOU CAN LIVE TO BE...

## *Read This and Work it Out*

This bright lad can look forward to a life 20 years longer than his grandfather's.

The fact, revealed by the Minister of Health in his annual report, just issued, led

**DAVID HAMPTON**

to write this article, in which he discusses your chance of long life.

**HAVE you ever speculated on your span of life? Have you ever sat down and asked yourself what are the factors which determine your own expectation of life? It's really rather interesting, and when you've grasped a few facts you'll be able roughly to assess your own chances.**

First I'll remind you of the cheering news that your chances of life are improving as the years pass.

In 1931 the death rate was 10 per 1,000. By 1937 it had dropped to 9.3 per 1,000.

And now just a quick run over a few more important figures before we get down to discussing this interesting topic.

Of 100,000 male children born, the expectation of life is 58.74 years. Of the same number of females 62.88. But, when you come to the Psalmist's allotted span, i.e., 70, the man's expectation is 8.62 years, the woman's 10.02.

### Marry and Live Longer

STATISTICS show that married people live longer than unmarried—women to a considerable extent, men even more so.

Now, what are the factors which influence a person's chance of long life? Some of them may surprise you.

First of all comes the question of heredity. If your parents were long-lived, well, you've every right to reckon that you'll follow in their footsteps.

You'll be told all kinds of reasons why you shouldn't take any notice of heredity. You'll be assured that your environment counts more than what you've inherited. Some people will tell you that you acquire your own characteristics, and that these are the most important factors in determining your expectation of life.

You can certainly *enlarge* what you've been born with, either muscles (by using them) or brains (ditto).

But your children won't grow tails, however much you do the shimmy. And if you lose an arm your child won't be born without one.

Karl Pearson considered that environment is less important than heredity, so far as longevity is concerned: that from one-half to three-quarters of deaths are predetermined at birth by inherited factors.

But don't run away with the idea that diseases are inherited. Life insurance companies don't put up your rates, even if you have a family history of consumption, provided you yourself are healthy. There's no proof that you inherit specific diseases.

What you do inherit is a measure of resistance to disease. And if your parents have reached old age, this tends to show that their resistance has probably been first-class.

After heredity, what next influences your length of life? Let's look at it this way: deaths in infancy are high.

After infancy, your chances of living increase every year up to 50-55. And here's a curious fact: the chief cause of death up to the age of 60 is your breathing apparatus—lungs, nose, and throat. After that age it's your circulation.

Certain diseases have a very definite tendency to shorten life. And if you come down to brass tacks, most of them depend on poisons (or toxins, as the doctors call them).

Now you get hold of these in two ways—either you take them in from outside, or your body manufactures them for you. Example of first is excessive use of alcohol: of second, poisons produced in your intestines.

### Old as Your Arteries

THESE poisons may damage any system in your body. But they seem to have a tendency to harm your heart and arteries more than your lungs or nervous system.

And that's why, after the age of 60, your expectation of life largely depends on the state of your arteries.

There's a well-known saying, "A man's as old as his arteries, a woman as she looks." That's pretty true; for man is more likely to suffer from arterial disease than woman.

As regards the poisons you manufacture inside your body, the great physiologist Metchnikov advanced a theory that duration of life depends largely on how your digestion behaves.

There's reason to think that simple living tends to long life: and this means a plain diet, and, consequently, less risk of self-poisoning.

A factor which may cut short your life is gross overweight—and it does this by damaging the heart and arteries. Fat people have been refused—or rated up—by insurance companies, which always require to know your exact weight and height.

Disease of the liver is another handicap: so is kidney disease; but the latter is often associated with arterial trouble, so it comes into the circulatory group.

Your occupation, of course, has a definite bearing on your length of life. A nice quiet life, such as a clergyman's, tends to longevity. A hurried, anxious life, such as a doctor's, isn't so good. Dentists, also, are way down the long-life scale.

Certain jobs are prone to lead to one kind of disease. Bakers are liable to chest affections, so are stokers, from working in over-heated atmospheres. Boiler-makers are liable to nervous diseases from continuous noises; plumbers to lead-poisoning.

### Family History

THEN, climate has something to do with your life-span. Apart from the tropics, where you take extra risk from disease, certain places in Britain have acquired a reputation based on the number of inhabitants who have reached extreme old age. (I'm not going to mention any names, or I shall get into trouble with those I don't include.)

Now, how can you apply this knowledge to your own expectation of life? I'm afraid it's not easy to arrive at a cast-iron conclusion. But you can do this:

Think over the facts which are known about longevity. Begin with your family history, and write down the ages of your parents, grandparents, uncles, and aunts.

Next, think over your own life, what illnesses you've had, and try to find out any physical weaknesses you may possess.

Then make due allowance for

(a) *Where you live;*

(b) *The healthy nature (or otherwise) of your work;*

(c) *Your own habits.*

You should then be able to form some kind of rough estimate of your own "specific potential longevity" (the length of time you may expect to live, if accidents and illnesses leave you alone).

One last word. Don't forget the commonest cause of death over the age of 60. So take care of your heart and arteries by leading as healthy a life as you can.

*Do You Know?—*

# 100 a Day Climb the Mattehorn

**H. L. McNally**

shows how the siege of Switzerland's famous peak is greater than ever before.

THE holiday siege of the Matterhorn has reached its grand climax.

School-teachers (why are they such indefatigable climbers?), and other tourists of all kinds are now disporting themselves on the 14,780ft. summit.

As many as 100 visitors and guides may make the ascent in one day, and, before the winter snows begin, many hundreds of people will have climbed this world-famous peak.

"Soon we'll need one-way traffic regulations on the Cervin" (the French name for the Matterhorn), I was told by Otto Furrer, one of the best-known guides, when he dined with me at Zermatt recently.

"I have seen as many as 110 people on the peak at one time," he said. "It is not a difficult climb nowadays, and I or any other guide would be willing to make it seven times a week.

"Climbers should, of course, have some practice for a few days beforehand, to get quite fit, then it's easy, the climb usually taking about 10 hours (up and down) from the hut, which is 10,820ft. high. The hut itself is about six hours' simple climbing from Zermatt."

To the non-mountaineer, climbing the Matterhorn has always sounded a wonderful feat. Memories of the tragic deaths of Lord Francis Douglas, Mr. Hadow, Michael Croz, and Mr. Hudson in July 1865, seem to invest the challenging peak with an aura of tragedy, and to be a grim warning to all but the hardiest mountaineers.

These men, with Edward Whymper, had been the first ever to reach the summit. In descending, the rope broke, and all but Whymper and two guides fell to their death.

Now there are fixed ropes at certain difficult places to make the ascent simpler.

### Eiger Perils

ALEX Gentinetta, another well-known guide whom I met with Dr. Seiler, who seems to own all the hotels around Zermatt, told me that the guide's fee for the Matterhorn climb is £6—which indicates how it is regarded as an ordinary day's work. The usual party consists of two guides and two visitors; though occasionally a pair of guides can look after a bigger party.

He added one warning: "There are too many climbers nowadays with too few guides, and that is not good; it is not so safe as all that."

Gentinetta said that the most dangerous climb, possibly the worst in Europe, is the north face of the Eiger. Dozens have been killed in the attempt on this ascent, and no one succeeded until three weeks ago, when four young Germans reached the peak.

They were watched through telescopes, and when snowstorms veiled them from view, eight guides ascended the mountain by the ordinary route, but could find no trace of them at the top.

Yet the four men came down safely, having had to cling all night to perilous ledges while 20ins. of snow fell and winds threatened to blow them into the abyss. Their only injuries were bruises from falling stones.

What a vastly simpler proposition the Matterhorn has become. But, with all its crowds of climbers, guides are finding business less prosperous than it used to be. The growth of winter sports is responsible.

"Nowadays," Gentinetta told me, "guiding would not be profitable if it were not for places like St. Moritz, where the guides give ski-ing and skating lessons during the winter. In fact, the ski-ing and skating are more important than climbing as a matter of business for us."

Since the first conquest of the Matterhorn by English climbers, more and more mountaineers have travelled from England to repeat the feat, and Zermatt, from being a tiny peasant village, has been transformed by the Seiler family into a resort equipped with fine hotels.

The Swiss climb chiefly as a means to getting about their mountainous country, and if it were not that the English climb just for sport, these hotels might never have been built.

I suppose it is only a matter of time until there will be an hotel with cocktail bar and dancing on top of the Matterhorn, with a tube like the Jungfrau railway to take tired tourists to the summit.

Then it will be breakfast in London, luncheon in Bale, and tea on the Matterhorn with, possibly, supper in Paris, Rome, or Berlin.


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# *THESE ARE MY PEOPLE*

**By Cedric Dover**

*Who is himself an half-caste. He here explains the position of Eurasians in India to-day.*

THE Eurasians of India, like mixed groups elsewhere, are the bye-products of imperialism and evangelism. Their origins go back to the Portuguese adventurers of the early sixteenth century, who saw in a native Luso-Indian community the main hope of amiable exploitation and conversion.

This policy was shared by other expanding nations. The British, not always so slow as popular conceit supposes, lost little time in adopting it, too.

In 1678, the Court of Directors of the East India Company, expressing itself as following the wisdom of "ye olde Dutch politiks," informed the President of Madras that "The marriage of our soldiers to the native women of Fort St. George is a matter of such concern to posterity that we shall be content to encourage it, with some expense, and have been thinking for the future to appoint a pagoda to be paid to the mother of any child, that shall hereafter be born of any such marriage, upon the day the child is christened, if you think this small encouragement will increase the number of such marriages."

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UNDER such patronage clusters of Eur-Asiatics sprang up and multiplied all over India. They reached the highest positions in the service of Crown and Company. They produced eminent opportunists and notoriously beautiful women. But they had no roots. They were not permitted to own land or to live further than ten miles from a Presidency town or Company's settlement. They were aliens in their native land.

With the turn of the eighteenth century patronage gave way to proscription. Fear and envy combined with changing economic conditions to present mixed breeds in a new light.

In 1781, it was decreed that "no Person, the son of a native Indian, shall henceforth be appointed by this Court to appointments in the Civil, Military or Marine services of the country." This order successfully excluded Eurasians from all the upper grades of official employment, but repression did not stop there. In 1795, they were also disqualified for combatant service in the lower grades of the Army.

The effects of such discrimination on an urban community, devoid of agricultural or trading traditions, need no elaboration. They were further aggravated by bank failures involving 15 million pounds of Eurasian money.

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BY the middle of the nineteenth century, when white women and British subordinates had reached India in large numbers, the Eurasians were already crushed into an intermediate position between the rulers and the ruled. They were given buns, but there was no longer any cream in them.

Yet the Eurasians have gone on multiplying. It is difficult to estimate their number, but it is sufficient to found a small state, if one includes Luso-Indians, Eurasians of Asiatic paternity, and various immigrant hybrids.

British imperialism, however, is not concerned with all these mongrels. It confines its solicitude to a community of some 200,000 Eurasians of European paternal descent only, upon which the complimentary, but erroneous and universally neglected, title of the "Anglo-Indian Community" has been bestowed. Moreover, official generosity is largely restricted to the Protestant section of this dominantly Roman Catholic group.

The reasons for this weeding of the sheep from the goats are fairly obvious. These new Anglo-Indians carry the brunt of the white man's burden in India. The majority of them are employed by the Government in strategically important services, such as transport, the post and telegraphs, and the public services. Their loyalty is terribly important in an embittered country with three times as many Eurasians (in the restricted Anglo-Indian sense) as there are Europeans.

It was a loyalty that seemed secure until Mr. Gandhi reappeared on the Indian scene. Of course, the Eurasians grumbled in public and cursed white men in private, but mostly they were content with their privileged status and bragged incessantly about their "proud British heritage" and "services to the Empire." They lived in semi-exotic ease, soaked in Latin traditions and gorged with Indo-Iberian food.

To-day things are different. Neither patronage nor bragging has saved the Eurasians from the rising tide of Indian competition. As Anglo-Indians, with an artificial standard of living, they are clearly doomed. Indeed, it is said that a third of the employable men of the community are already unemployed, while the majority are living in a state of acute distress.

On the other hand, as Eurasians and Indians, readjusted to new economic conditions, they should be in the vanguard of a struggling nation. The radically minded are therefore moving towards the Congress, while the bread-and-butter men have increased their whining on the doorsteps of Whitehall and Lambeth. They know the value—to themselves — of reiterating the pathetic cry: "O England! who are these if not thy sons?"

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BRITISH officialdom has met this difficult situation with typical diplomacy. It has offered the Eurasians whatever sops the taxpayers will stand for or charity provide. It has emphasised its recognition of the devotion and proud British traditions of its mongrel servitors. And, to keep the balance, it has also warned them that their "future lies in building for themselves a place in the New India."

Whatever the immediate benefits, I wish to see my people freed from the opiates of decaying imperialism. I wish to see them freed from further conditioning which will deprive them of their rightful heritage of language and culture.

I wish to see them grow into knowledgeable sons of India with an international outlook, into Indians who know India and can give it added vitality and leadership, as Henry Derozio, the Eurasian poet and patriot, did more than a century ago. This should be their destiny.


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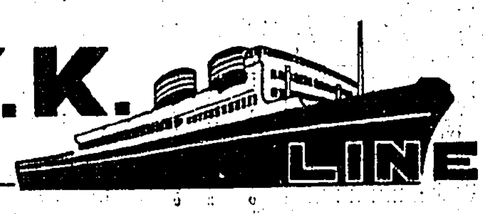

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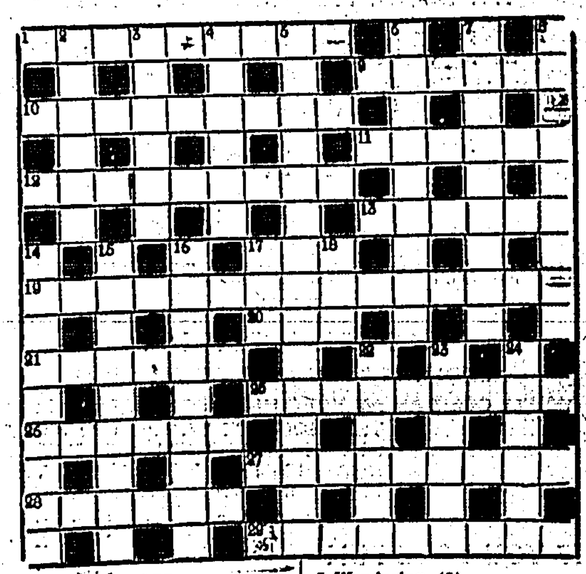

**ACROSS**

1 Apparently a fowler has made a good shot to get material for a powder puff perhaps (9).
9 Little village made famous by Shakespeare (6).
10 This branch of scientific study has its attractions (9).
11 A Frenchman (6).
12 Would these sailors be doubly useful on a cattle boat? (9).
13 E. Coast resort bigger than one foreign capital (6).
17 A little food to appease (3).
19 Forecast (15).
20 Part of the crofter's stock in the Western Highlands (3).
21 Public School (6).
25 He takes an interest in any old thing (9).
26 Wherein fish are caught (6).
27 These methods increase production (9).
28 An unwelcome visitor to our shores though partly of royal origin (6).
29 "A stout try" (anag.) (9).

**DOWN**

2 People often break the law to get this (6).
3 French town (6).
5 Saw that should prove economical (four words—5, 3, 4, 3).
6 This nymph of old is now a venomous serpent (9).
7 A son of Edward III, was distinguished for this crime (9).
8 Wandering (9).
14 An efficacious worker (9).
15 Checks as direction to Rugger players (9).
16 A bottom fish apparently, anyhow of no importance (9).
17 Direction obtained from compasses (3).
18 Edible coin (3).
22 There were wise men in the East but is their superior occidental? (6).
23 Start, yet might announce the end of the game of tennis (6).
24 Found in cars and golf-bags (6).

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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HAPPENINGS AS SEEN BY THE CAMERA'S EYE

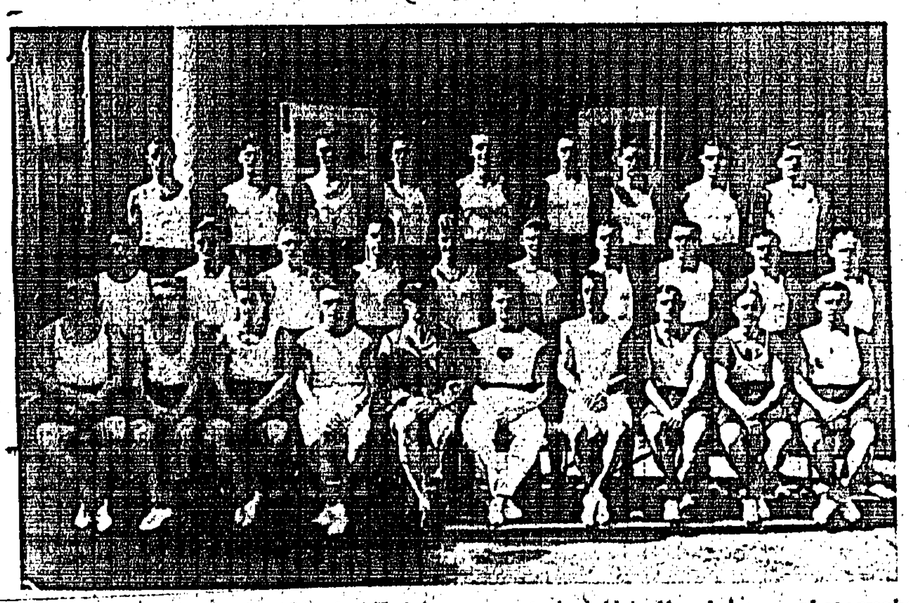
## Brilliant Military Wedding

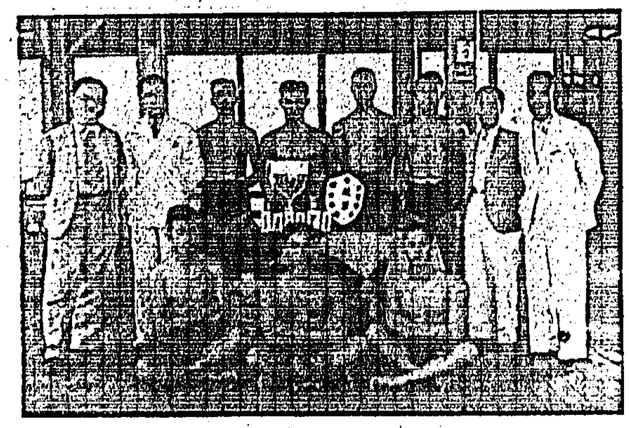
**Military circles in the Colony were well represented at the brilliant wedding of Captain H. C. Harland, of the 2nd Battalion, The Royal Scots, and Miss Rachel O. Hanbury, which was solemnised at St. John's Cathedral on Tuesday afternoon.**

**Opposite: The wedding party photographed at the reception.**

**Lower Left: The bride cuts the wedding cake whilst a bridesmaid watches with interest.**

**Lower Right: The bridesmaids, the Misses Northcote and Susan Alley, pose for a photograph whilst waiting for the bride's arrival at the Cathedral.**





The Chinese Athletic Association water-polo team, winners of the Pak Ling Cup for 1938.—*King's Studio.*

Army Members of the first Physical Training course to be held in Hongkong are photographed above with Major H. S. Hopkinson, Rifle Bgde.

## CHINESE PLAY

### Western Chamber Romance To be Presented Here

To augment the funds for the purchase of ambulances and general relief work, Mrs. Li Shu-pui recently sought the permission of Mr. S. I. Hsiung to perform in Hongkong his English version of "The Romance of the Western Chamber." This, Mr. Hsiung has very kindly granted, and Mrs. Li Shu-pui, in turn, has presented the privilege to the Hongkong Chinese Women's Club, of which she is Chairman. The Club consequently intend to stage the production at the beginning of November, and rehearsals have been in progress for the last two months.

In the opinion of Mr. Hsiung, the literati, and the dramatists of China, "The Romance of the Western Chamber" is even more arresting and entertaining than his famous "Lady Precious Stream." It has not yet been produced on any stage outside China, and its presentation locally for the first time in the English language will afford an opportunity to the English speaking public of understanding and sharing the pleasures of a drama, beautifully written and so full of charm, that has captivated the Chinese down the ages.

Dr. Mei Lan-fan, Miss Tong Suet-hing, Mr. Ma Sze-tsang, Mr. Au Young Yee-sin, Mr. Mak Siu-har, Mr. Li Fah and Mr. Henry Tung have all been kind enough to offer their assistance in the production of the play.

#### The Translator and the Play

Mr. S. I. Hsiung, the translator of this play, is well known as the introducer of the first drama of his country to the Western world. That was "Lady Precious Stream," which scored for Mr. Hsiung an initial success and ran for more than 300 performances in London.

When that popular melodrama was so offered, Mr. Hsiung promised to follow it with a version of one of the classics of China, and he has done so in translating "The Romance of the Western Chamber." So far, this has not been produced on any stage abroad, but Mr. Hsiung has kindly accorded special permission for this presentation in Hongkong.

Dramatists, including the great G. B. Shaw, are agreed that Mr. Hsiung has done a great service to China and the Western stage in portraying the excellence of Chinese drama, for, by his beneficent activities, he has given and clarified a message of his country's culture.

Those who were arrested and thrown into an ecstasy of enjoyment by "Lady Precious Stream" will derive equal pleasure from "The Romance of the Western Chamber," and acclaim it the masterpiece that it is, and will realise why after nearly eight centuries it is still regarded in China as the play.

#### Story of Love Affair

The theme is based upon a short story written by Yuan Cheng, a poet of the eighth century, which his biography discloses was his own love affair. In the Yuan Dynasty eminent playwrights in the persons of Wang Shih-fu and Kwang Han-ching faithfully dramatised it. The story is a very natural one which has happened in many a family ever since the beginning of the world. It is written in beautiful poetry and is full of charm, subtlety, pathos and vitality.

The play deals with the picturesque side of Chinese life, domestic scenes, military interventions, simple ceremonies of the kind in which the life of the East abounds, and, centring around the love episode of a Prime Minister's very demure daughter, provides great histrionic scope.—*Contributed.*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He is on his five-yearly inspection tour of all the Brothers' schools throughout the world. Having visited the establishments of his Order in Canada, Japan and Manchuria, he arrived in the Colony a few days ago and will shortly proceed to the Philippines, Malaya and Burma.


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| TANDA | 7,000 | 4th Nov. | Shanghai & Japan. |
| SANTHIA | 6,000 | 9th Nov. | Japan. |
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# Terrorists Spread Death In Palestine

Jerusalem, Oct. 12.

Five Arabs were shot dead and three wounded as a result of terrorist outrages during the past 24 hours.

Sir Harold MacMichael, the High Commissioner, left London this evening for Southampton, from where he will fly to Jerusalem to-morrow.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Secretary of State for the Colonies, was present at Waterloo Station to see Sir Harold MacMichael off.

A Colonial Office statement says that Mr. MacDonald and Sir Harold MacMichael completed a thorough examination of the political situation in Palestine, and gave a preliminary receipt to the Woodhead Commission's report, which expected to be ready in the course of this month.—*Reuter.*

# FLANDIN VISITS MILAN, ROME

Rome, Oct. 12.

The French ex-Premier, M. Pierre Flandin, whose advocacy of a rapprochment with Germany culminated in his telegraphing congratulations to Herr Hitler on the Munich agreement, is now visiting Italy.

He left Milan to-day for Florence, and it is believed that he will later visit Rome.

M. Flandin has recently been pursuing an active anti-war policy, supporting Germany's viewpoint regarding Czecho-Slovakia.

Following his telegram to Herr Hitler, two leading members of M. Flandin's political party, the Alliance Democratique, resigned in protest.—*Reuter.*

# CARDINAL ATTACKED

Vienna, Oct. 12.

A sharp attack on Cardinal Innitzer is made in the Vienna daily newspaper, the *Wiener Neuestenachrichten*, mouthpiece of Herr Buerckel, Nazi Commissioner.

The newspaper observes: "Cardinal Innitzer has dared to attack Herr Hitler, organise ridiculous demonstrations, and provoke the population. This proves the Vatican's efforts to maintain the conflict.

"The reaction of the population against Cardinal Innitzer's provocation is self-explanatory. The Cardinal's methods will be stopped."—*Reuter.*

## NEW JAPANESE CONSUL

Mr. Takio Koda has been appointed Japanese Consul in Hongkong.

## ART EXHIBITION

Under the auspices of the Hongkong Working Artists Guild, an exhibition of oil paintings and water-colours by Mr. Tchun Po-yi will be held at St. John's Cathedral Hall, Garden Road, on Saturday, October 15, and Monday, October 17, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., and on Sunday, October 16, from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.

## REGISTRY WEDDING

The wedding took place at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday, before Mr. T. J. Gould, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, between Mr. Thomas Chin, engineer, of 113 Wing Lok Street, and Miss Nellie Loule, of 3 Mallory Street, Hongkong. The witnesses were Mesdames Hui Shi and Lau Nei-lun.

# Former China C. In C.

## Admiral Little Becomes Second Sea Lord

Admiral Sir Charles Little, former Commander-in-Chief, China, who has been at the Admiralty for a month, last week became Second Sea Lord and Chief of Naval Personnel.

He succeeds Admiral Sir Martin Dunbar-Nasmith, v.c., who has been in Whitehall for three years and who has been appointed Commander-in-Chief at Plymouth.

Sir Charles, who is 56, will receive in his new post a salary of £3,350 a year, while Sir Martin, who is 55, will receive £3,054.

### Command of the Sikh

Commander J. A. Giffard, late of the Plans Division, Admiralty, has been appointed to command the Sikh, the first of the nine destroyers of the second "tribal" group, ordered in June, 1936. Commander Giffard served in destroyers as a sub-lieutenant during the War.

### Intelligence Division

Commander E. M. Loly, who returned recently from the command of the Westcott, attached the 4th Submarine Flotilla in China, has joined the staff of the Naval Intelligence Division.

Commander Loly specialised in submarines during the War, and from 1919 to 1930 was in command of various "H" and "L" class vessels, the steam-driven K.26 in the Mediterranean, and the post-War submarines Oxley and Clyde. He qualified in staff duties in 1926, and between submarine commands has been staff officer (operations) in the Atlantic Fleet flagship and at the Submarine Depot at Gosport. From 1932 to 1934 he was an instructor at the R.N. Staff College. He completes 30 years in the Navy in January next, having entered Osborne in the same term of cadets as the King.

### Dockyard Appointment

It is announced that Mr. F. T. Snoswell, assistant accounts officer, Chatham, has been appointed to Hongkong.

## TEA PARTY AT Y.W.C.A.

Miss Marian Dudley, Advisory Secretary for the Young Women's Christian Associations of South China, was guest of honour at a tea party at the Hongkong Y.W.C.A. yesterday afternoon.

When she was here seven years ago, she organised an international club, and many of these members were present at the tea party. Others present were: Dr. A. Sydenham, Miss Hughes, and Miss Ward, (of the Nethersole Hospital), Miss Atkins (Headmistress of St. Stephen's Girls' School) and Miss Wise, also of St. Stephen's, Miss Nell Elliott, Mrs. Thomas, Miss Pope, Miss Sheila Whitley, Dr. Parrin Ruttonjee, Miss Julia Lam, Mrs. Fung Ping-fan (daughter-in-law of Mr. Fung Ping-shan, who donated the Chinese library to the University), and the Misses Sung Ngan-tsing, Li Luk-wa, and Patience Tso.

## CLIPPER DUE TO-DAY

The Pan American Airways Clipper, which was delayed at Guam by the weather, is expected to reach Hongkong at noon to-day from Manila. The plane will depart on the return flight at 8.30 a.m. to-morrow.

## IMPERIAL AIRWAYS

The Imperial Airways plane Delta reached Kai Tak on schedule yesterday afternoon with United Kingdom mails.

# TOKYO WARNED

## Danger Of Incidents In South China

London, Oct. 12.

The British Government has, according to an official statement issued here this afternoon, frequently taken the opportunity during the past few months to call the attention of the Japanese Government to Great Britain's special interests in Hongkong and South China and to point out the danger which must arise from eventual incidents arising out of military operations in South China. On receipt of information of the forthcoming Japanese attack on Canton, the British Ambassador in Tokyo, Sir Robert Craigie, had within the past few days again called the attention of the Japanese Government to that question.

The statement goes on to say that the Japanese operations in South China will probably cause a new stream of refugees to pour into Hongkong and gives the assurance that the necessary preparations have been made by the authorities there for coping with the task of sheltering and feeding the refugees.—*Trans-Ocean.*

*Reuter* learns that the chief point of interest in the Kowloon-Canton railway is its importance to Hongkong for the import and export trade.

# BRIDES TO BE

The following forthcoming weddings are announced: Cdr. Hugh Valentine King, R.N. of H.M.S. Olympus, and Miss Brenda Grace Billings, M.D., of Moray House Hotel, and now at the Gloucester Hotel, Hongkong; Mr. Antonio Padua Ricci-Perreira, supervisor of the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd., and Miss Stella Maria dos Remedios, stenographer, of the Texas Co. (China) Ltd.; Mr. Adam Gray Dalziel, manufacturer, residing at the Knutsford Hotel, and Miss Winifred May Marsh, school teacher, of the Central British School.

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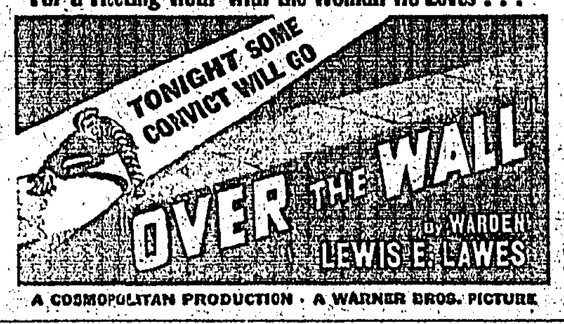

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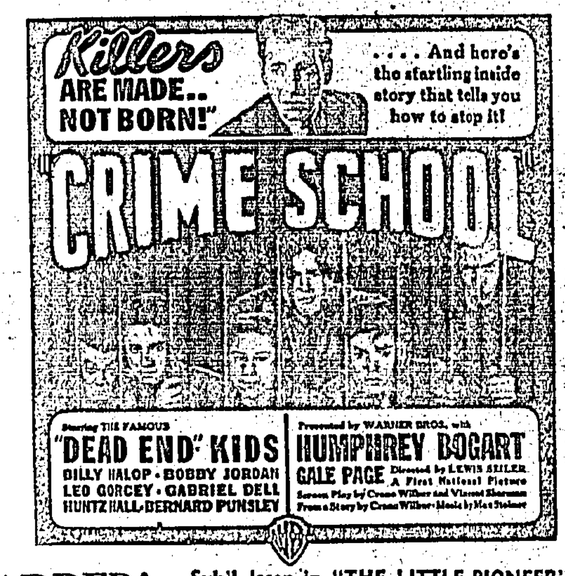

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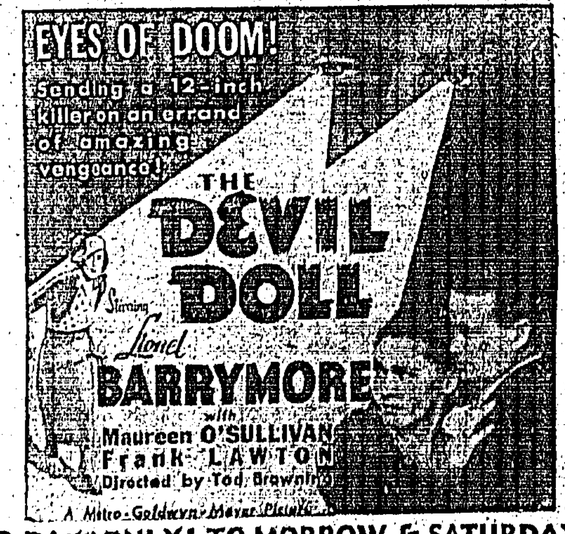

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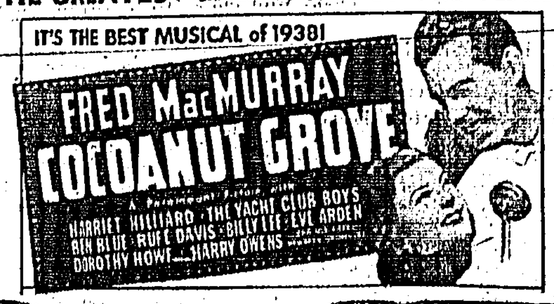

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# COLONY'S RECORD BUDGET

## 5-Year-Plan For New Public Work Undertakings

## 1939 EXPENDITURE WILL BE HIGHEST IN H.K. HISTORY

## Defence Contribution to Imperial Government: Million for A.R.P.

**THE BUDGET FOR 1939 WAS INTRODUCED IN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL THIS MORNING.**

**It calls for the record expenditure of $38,502,760 and a revenue of $36,097,325, giving an estimated deficit on December 31 of $2,405,435.**

Government expects to end the current financial year with a small surplus, the estimated expenditure being $35,155,355 (an increase of over $3,000,000 compared with 1937) and revenue being $35,660,000, which is a record and represents an increase of $2,500,000 over last year.

The surplus for the current year is, however, illusory, because at the end of the year Hongkong will be owing nearly a million dollars of military contributions which must be paid next year.

"Revenue is still coming in well, but money is going out even faster than early in the year," the Financal Secretary, the Hon. Mr. S. Caine, warned Councillors this morning.

**Mr. Caine forecast that within a very short time the Colony would have a $40,000,000 budget. Increases in expenditure show signs of increasing instead of decreasing.**

Enormous increases in expenditure are estimated for next year for some Departments.

Pensions, it is estimated, will cost the all-time high record of $2,970,000, which is exactly double the expenditure under this heading in 1931.

The Police Force next year will cost $3,441,627, also a record, comparing with $3,200,000 in the current year and $1,956,798 in 1930.

**WAR ON DISEASES**

The war on disease will cost the Medical Department $2,516,267, compared with $2,400,000 this year and $867,203 in 1930.

Public Works Recurrent top the two million mark for the first time since 1934 with an estimated expenditure of $2,268,507, compared with $1,900,000 in the current year.

A total of $456,264 has been earmarked for Charitable Services, which is an increase of three lakhs over expenditure in the current year and more than double the expenditure last year.

The increase in military contribution—which jumps from $5,880,724 this year to $7,007,898 next year—is partly explained by the fact that almost $1,000,000 will be carried forward to 1939 from the current year.

**Nevertheless, the total is an all-time record even without this carry over, and compares with $4,281,240 in 1936 and $3,863,769 in 1930.**

In budgeting for a deficit next year, Government does not anticipate any increase in revenue next year over the current year, and estimates, in fact, that this year's revenue of $1,000,000 from Land Sales will decrease in 1939 by twenty-five per cent.

Railway revenue next year is estimated at $1,784,000, compared with $1,900,000 ( a record) this year. The Budget was prepared, however, before the present Japanese hostilities in South China and much of this revenue would disappear if the Japanese seize the Chinese section of the Kowloon-Canton Railway.

**FIVE-YEAR-PLAN**

Next year Government will commence work on several huge Public Works undertaknge as part of its Five Year Plan.

Chief of these is construction of a new Government House, at an estimated cost of $2,000,000. Preliminary expenditure on this undertaking next year will be $100,000.

With an eye to future heavy public traffic on the new highway linking Hongkong with Canton, Government is to expend $1,900,000 on improvements to the Kowloon-Muk Fu Ferry section in Hongkong territory. Half-a-million dollars has been set aside in the 1939 estimates to commence this work.

**Air Raid Precautions in Hongkong will cost at least $1,000,000, it is revealed. Of this amount, which will be expended over a**

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H. E. THE GOVERNOR

## "Telegraph" Competition Announcement

**THE RE-JUDGING of the *Telegraph* summer photographic competition caused by the withdrawal of one of the prize-winner's entries, has now been completed, and to-morrow the amended list of prize-winners will be published.**

**The general public is also advised that an exhibition of the photographs will be held in the board room of the *S. C. M. Post* starting on Monday next, October 17.**

## WAR IN BIAS BAY

### Pearl River Boom To Close To-night?

IT IS UNOFFICIALLY LEARNED that the boom across the Pearl River below Bocca Tigris forts will be closed at midnight to-night.

No official confirmation of the report can be obtained.

The steamer Fatshan, carrying British and American women refugees, passed the boom safely this morning and was due to berth at Hongkong at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

At 10.30 a.m. to-day a Gazette Extraordinary was issued by the Hongkong Government, containing a Proclamation signed by His Excellency the Governor, calling up members of the Hongkong Police Reserve Force for active service until further notice.

Heavy fighting is still proceeding in the Bias Bay area, with fresh Japanese troops continuing to pour ashore.

It is indicated that more Japanese transports have arrived in Bias Bay with another large batch of soldiers from an undisclosed base in Formosa.

**Japanese airmen are displaying unparalleled activity in the Bias Bay region, mercilessly bombing every village in the path of the invading Japanese troops.**

**ADVICE TO GERMANS**

**The "Telegraph" was officially informed this afternoon that the Japanese Consul General in Hongkong, Mr. K. Nakamura, has informed the German Consul General of the inadvisability of holding celebrations in connection with the fifteenth anniversary celebrations of the German Hospital in Tungkwan.**

It is understood that the German authorities some time ago informed

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## $13,500,000 FOR BIG DEVELOPMENTS IN H. K. PUBLIC WORKS

## New Government House & Highway To Canton To Cost Four Millions

**A FIVE YEAR PLAN OF PUBLIC WORKS WAS ANNOUNCED IN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL THIS MORNING DURING THE DEBATE ON THE BUDGET.**

**The total estimated cost of the works listed, which do not include general town-planning and slum clearance, is $13,135,000.**

**The list of new Public Works contemplated under the Five Year Plan is as follows:**

| | Estimated Cost |
|---|---|
| Government House | $ 2,000,000 |
| City Development | 1,000,000* |
| Infectious Diseases Hospital | 1,000,000 |
| Kowloon Hospital (Extension) | 2,000,000 |
| Addition to Vehicular Ferry Piers (including reclamation and resumption) | 585,000 |
| Improvements to Canton through Road from Castle Peak Road to Mah Fu Ferry including new Quarry | 2,200,000 |
| Government Quarters | 1,000,000 |
| Air Raid Precautions | 1,000,000 |
| New Peak School | 160,000 |
| Peak Bungalows | 150,000 |
| Rebuilding of Police Station and Police Training School | 700,000 |
| New Garages and Quarters at Kennedy Town | 100,000 |
| Protective Works, Causeway Bay Typhoon Shelter | 140,000 |
| | $12,035,000 |
| Compensations and resumptions connected with the above | 1,100,000 |
| Total | $13,135,000 |

* To be spent in the period 1938-43.

Funds are expected to be available as follows:

Utilisation of the balance of $639,000 in the Government House and City Development Fund, and funds from the sale of the old City Hall and other sites;

Utilisation of excess of $3,500,000 over minimum reserve of $10,000,000 considered necessary for Colony's Surplus of Assets over Liabilities, which will be approximately $13,500,000 at the end of the year;

Utilisation of anticipated excess revenue of $3,700,000 per annum for the next five years;

Probable utilisation of Loan Funds.

**CITY DEVELOPMENT**

It is probable that by 1943 considerable progress in the development of the site now occupied by the Secretariat, P.W.D. and Volunteer Headquarters and of the St. John's Place area will have been made. The figure of $1,000,000 should be regarded as a token sum.

**INFECTIOUS DISEASES HOSPITAL**

Recent experience suggests the necessity of providing more accommodation than previously contemplated and the estimate has been increased accordingly.

**KOWLOON HOSPITAL EXTENSION**

Revised plans are now under consideration and the estimate is very approximate. Assuming the continued development of Kowloon the provision of increased accommodation is a necessity. The ultimate completion of buildings and equipment may require still further provision.

**VEHICULAR FERRY PIERS**

The present piers and concourse on the Hongkong side are inadequate for the traffic and it is necessary to provide for expansion, which, owing to royalty arrangement with the company, is directly remunerative to Government. The scheme will also provide permanent pier accommodation for the Harbour Department.

**CANTON THROUGH ROAD**

Increasing traffic is thought to be inevitable, which will be remunerative both directly and indirectly. The capital expenditure now proposed aims mainly at strengthening and widening the existing road and will effect large economies in maintenance expenditure in future years. Included in the estimate is the cost of developing a new Government quarry on the mainland.

**GOVERNMENT QUARTERS**

A lump sum is provided to cover the creation of more quarters for both senior and subordinate officers, plans for which are now under examination. The return by way of rents from officers and saving in rent allowances will give a reasonable economic return on the capital invested. The provision of more housing for officers is one of the ways in which Government can help to reduce the present shortage of houses.

**AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS**

This is to be regarded as a token sum: plans have not reached the stage at which estimates can be framed but it is feared that large expenditure will be necessary.

**NEW PEAK SCHOOL AND BUNGALOWS**

The present school was designed for about a third of the number now attending it and a modern building is badly needed.

The Peak Bungalows which adjoin the Peak School are in a very dilapidated condition and due for rebuilding.

It is proposed to rebuild the Peak Bungaldws on a new site and to combine the old site with the existing school site.

**POLICE BUILDINGS**

Several stations are in need of extensive additions or rebuilding. It is proposed to build a new Training School on a site to be selected beyond the new Police Recreation Ground and the domestic buildings now used for that purpose will be available for sale, so recouping part of the cost.

**MEMORANDUM BY THE GOVERNOR**

**"I have now been able to give consideration to the Government House**

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## POPULACE EVACUATE YUNNANFU

### Fear Of Japanese Air Raiders

KUNMING, Oct. 13.

Practically half the population of Kunming have evacuated, while many of the remaining spend the day out of town fearing air raids since the raid on September 29, when at least 100 civilians were killed, including women, children and students.

The local hospital estimates that the wounded number 500.

It is definite that one Japanese plane was shot down near Iliang Station two hours journey south of the city on the railway. Nine members of the crew who escaped death were brought to Kunming the next day.

It is reported that they said the planes came from the "Sixth Base", east of Hongkong.

Reports state that two more planes were brought down at Lunan, 60 kilometres beyond Iliang, but these reports are not confirmed.

According to an eye-witness, nine planes came in beautiful formation and went straight for the "United College", where the Tsinghua and Peita Universities of Peiping are situated. They bombed them thoroughly using light bombs, and then went to the airfield where 65 bombs were dropped. The Japanese planes met with hardly any resistance over the town.—*Reuter.*

## Naval Officer Marries At Cathedral.

### Daughter Of Hongkong Colonial Secretary

A GUARD of honour of officers from H.M.S. Eagle formed an archway of swords at the wedding of Lieut. Commander C. R. V. Pugh, R.N., of H.M.S. Eagle, to Miss Judith L. Smith, second daughter of Mr. N. L. Smith, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary, Hongkong, and Mrs. Smith, at St. Andrew's Cathedral in Singapore this week.

Rev. S. Price, chaplain of the H.M.S. Eagle, officiated at the ceremony.

The bride, who was given away by Capt. Claude Barry, of H.M.S. Medway, was dressed in white satin, with headdress of white lilies.

The matron of honour was Mrs. S. A. Smith. Lieut. P. Medd was best man.

Mr. R. K. Aurten was the organist.

A reception was held at Navy House.

Lieut. Commander Pugh and his bride, who are flying to Penang to join the P. and O. liner Carthage bound for Europe, was at the time commanding officer of No. 813 T.S.R. Squadron, H.M.S. Eagle.

Among those who were present at the wedding were the Colonial Secretary, Mr. A. S. Small and Mrs. Small, Commodore and Mrs. M. L. Clarke, and the Ven. Archdeacon and Mrs. Graham White.

## *China Clipper Arrives After Long Delay*

**The termination of the longest delay to date of the arrival of Pan-American Clippers was made yesterday when the China Clipper arrived from Manila, landing at 12.40 at Kai Tak.**

It is almost five weeks since a Clipper landed here. Between Guam and Hongkong, five typhoons passed the Clipper's course, thus causing the delay.

The China Clipper leaves for Manila at 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Only three passengers were aboard the Clipper. They were Dr. Harry W. Millar, of the Manila Sanitorium Hospital, Mr. Alfred Kohlberg, a New York importer of Kohlberg Inc., and Mr. R. Edmonds, a mining engineer, who returns to Manila to-morrow on the Clipper.

The Clipper carried 340 pound of mail.

**RETURNING BY CLIPPER**

Mrs. W. L. Bond, wife of the Operation Manager, Director and Vice-President of the C.N.A.C., leaves to-morrow morning on the China Clipper for America. Miss Lee will also be a passenger on the Clipper.

**12 AMERICANS ABOARD**

Canton, Oct. 13.

Twelve American women and children left Canton by the Fatshan this morning, including Mrs. D. F. Folts, of Chafee, N.Y., and two children; Mrs. Marion Gregory, N. Y. City; Mrs. Ruth Macdonald, Knoxville, Tenn.; Miss Evelyn Wells, Obion, Tex.; Mrs. Betty Jane Brownell, Bolington, Vt.; Mrs. George Campbell, and Mrs. J. Watson.

There are now 96 Americans in Canton and 81 in the remainder of Kwangtung Province.—*United Press.*

## *Manchukuo Government To Adopt Conscription*

HSINKING, Oct. 13.

The Manchukuo Government, it is learned, will shortly adopt the conscription system, abandoning the voluntary recruiting system, in view of the complicated international situation and of the important nature of maintaining close co-operation with the Japanese Army for the national defence of the Manchoukuo border.

In this connection the Manchoukuo Government has decided to create a special Korean Corps under the command of the Chientao Army Headquarters, in the Second Army district in Tientao, where the majority of the inhabitants are Koreans.

In an attempt to safeguard particular localities through the efforts of the inhabitants themselves, the establishment also of a Mongolian Special Corps is contemplated, under the command of the Hsingan Army Headquarters, in Hsingan Province.—*Domei.*

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## More Ships For Bias Bay

Swatow, Oct. 13.

Merchant ships entering here last evening reported the presence in Haiman Bay of one Japanese cruiser, three destroyers, ten transports, and two armed merchantmen, while three other Japanese destroyers were anchored at Clipper Roads between Nanao Island and the mainland.

It is not expected, however, that any landing will be effected here, and most of these vessels stood out to sea this morning, evidently bound for Bias Bay.

Japanese planes bombed Chaoyang yesterday killing a number of people in the vicinity of the East Gate, but the Japanese raiders, flying over Swatow itself, seem to be confining their attentions to dropping pamphlets calling on the populace to surrender, reviling the Chiang Kai-shek Government, and outlining the benefits of friendship with Japan.—*Reuter.*

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*The Budget Speeches*

# GOVERNOR REVIEWS THE SITUATION

## *"I Am Confident that the Citizens will Face Difficulties"*

## Comments On Finance Outlook

**DURING THE COURSE of his address to Legislative Council at 11 o'clock this morning His Excellency the Governor said:**

**"The outbreak of hostilities so close to its border is of course a matter of grave and regretful concern for this Colony.**

**"As I have pointed out already, three quarters of our fresh vegetable and a large proportion of our fresh meat supplies come from that province.**

"Secondly, the Colony must face the prospects of an additional serious refugee problem arising from this invasion: as Honourable Members are no doubt aware, certain steps are being taken to cope with that eventuality: these together with the Military and Police precautions which are necessary in such circumstances will entail heavy charges upon the Colony's funds. Again, the interruption of Hongkong's long-established trade with China will bring heavy losses upon the revenue and upon commerce.

"I need not mention the many other ways in which this Colony will or may be adversely affected. I am confident, however, that the citizens of Hongkong will face these new difficulties with good sense and dignity, relying upon the British Government to do all in its power to protect their interests."

His Excellency the Governor continued:

"The presentation by Government of the estimates for the next year is a suitable occasion for a short review of the circumstances in which the Colony finds itself and for an indication of the intentions of Government in respect of the Colony's principal problems.

"Before beginning that task, which I will perform as briefly as I can, I take the opportunity to express the hope that the new method of dealing with the estimates, which my predecessor foreshadowed and I have gladly approved, will in practice commend itself to you. The debate on the resolution to be moved by the Honourable the Financial Secretary will, it is hoped, give an opportunity to members to discuss: the general financial policy of the Government; criticism of details in the draft estimates, on the other hand, will, I suggest, be more appropriate to subsequent discussions in the Select Committee, to which I expect the draft estimates will be referred, or, alternatively, to a later stage of the discussion of the resolution in Council.

### ECONOMICS AND FINANCE

"If I pass quickly over the economic aspect, in the narrower sense of the words, of the Colony's affairs it will be because, so far as finance is concerned, I do not wish to take the Council's time on a subject which will be fully set before them this morning by my honourable friend when he addresses himself to the principal business of to-day's meeting.

"There are only two major items of financial policy of which I will make mention: the first is the change in the system of water finances and the second the method of making what is known as the military contribution.

"Regarding the former, I hope that the scheme now approved, which is set out in detail in the estimates, will be found to be a satisfactory compromise between the merging of water finances in the general revenue and expenditure and the complete separation which some have advocated. The new arrangements are designed to secure ultimate control by Government while ensuring, firstly, that adequate provision is made for the maintenance of the undertaking's capital equipment and, secondly, that water consumers pay no more and no less than is necessary to meet the true costs of supply.

### MILITARY CONTRIBUTIONS

"As for the military contribution, I could not fail to be struck, soon after my arrival, by the innumerable practical difficulties produced by the present method of calculating the contribution and I addressed the Secretary of State some months ago proposing a new method of assessment which would do away with those embarrassments. I have not yet had a reply from the Secretary of State, but I sincerely trust that some improvement in the present method may be agreed in the near future.

### THE OUTLOOK

"Turning to economic issues in general it appears, at any rate on the surface, that the actual financial outlook is satisfactory.

"With a large nominal surplus and a prospect of a larger revenue this year than ever before in the Colony's history, there seems to be no danger of shortage of cash; though it is pertinent to add that conditions in the Far East make it advisable to review the figure which has in recent times been looked upon as a sufficient cash balance, viz., $10,000,000.

"But the economic problems of a community are not confined merely to questions of cash finance; they include also the right development of the essential social services which bring in their own returns.

"As the Financial Secretary's memorandum makes clear, the estimates of expenditure which are now before you show big increases in the fields of public health and public safety, including defence, and much of that increased expenditure must be looked upon not only as permanent but also as indicative of greater demands of the same nature in the future: I shall indicate later a material increase under the head, education, which results from the report of the Teacher Training Committee. This report was not taken into consideration when the department's budget was being framed.

"On the other hand, while the Colony is not likely to experience financial stringency this year or next, it is not to be expected that its revenues will maintain their present dimensions, partly fortuitous as they are, when Sino-Japanese hostilities come to an end.

"The prospect must be faced, therefore, that either the policies represented by these developments of the social services must be reversed or more revenue must be found.

"The former alternative is, I hope, unthinkable: as for the latter, it will not be seriously contended that this community is heavily taxed at present and I believe that I correctly interpret the sentiments of the majority in asserting that further taxation to provide the amount necessary to support and develop those policies could be borne without hardship, provided that fair and equitable means of levying it are found.

"How that should be put into effect I am not prepared at this stage to say: it is a subject for close expert examination. Our present sources of revenue are few and not very flexible.

"Moreover, owing to our special economic conditions, certain obvious sources of revenue appear ot be ruled out; but I am sure that it would not be beyond our abilities to devise means of broadening the basis of taxation in the Colony. I intend, therefore, in the near future to appoint a committee to make a thorough, but I hope not prolonged, examination of this problem, which I believe to be, on a long view, the most important financial question now facing the Colony.

### STATISTICS

While on the subject of economics I may mention my intention to create a Statistical Branch of the Colonial Secretariat. In many respects the statistical information at the disposal of this Government is deficient or unscientifically arranged; there is a serious lack of machinery for the co-ordination of such statistics as exist, and in nearly every case these are crude. In such circumstances it might with some truth be alleged that figures are given to us to conceal the facts! The first rate importance of well-digested and well-correlated statistics to a Colony, which is so largely dependant upon commerce and has, for example, such grave population problems as Hongkong, is indisputable and the move will, I hope, be appreciated locally.

### TRADE

The subject of economics leads naturally to that of trade: the main facts of the situation are too well-known to call for recital here. Summarised they are that the total visible trade of the Colony was during the first eight months of this year greater than for the same periods in 1937 and 1936 by 15 per cent. and 58 per cent. respectively. As, however, this apparent prosperity is due to the misfortunes of our neighbours it is in no sense gratifying to its immediate beneficiaries.

### TRANSPORTATION

The problems of the Colony relevant to transportation are numerous and of first-rate importance. Hongkong is classed among the principal seaports in the world; it is in process of becoming a very important junction for an increase in its railway traffic. It is scarcely necessary to add that these problems cannot be considered altogether independently of each other.

**On December 31, 1949, all existing pier leases expire and it is not the present intention of Government to renew them.**

"This decision raises several vital issues, the principal one being whether the harbour is to be developed by Government, by an independent corporation such as a Port Trust, by private enterprise or by some combination of these methods. Closely connected with the problem of administration is that the physical development of the harbour.

"In view of the eminent importance of these questions I intend to ask the Secretary of State's assistance in the selection of one or more experts in port organization to whom they can be submitted for investigation and advice.

### NEW TUG

"The question of whether the tug "Kau Sing" should be replaced was under discussion when the estimates were framed and they, therefore, contain no provision for that purpose.

"Government, however, has been investigating the advisability of building a vessel which could serve as a lighthouse tender, a training-vessel for the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force and a means of transport for the officer in charge of the Southern District when visiting the islands: it could also be put to occasional use for junk and sampan rescue from typhoons, anti-smuggling duty and so forth.

**"The provision of such a craft seems to be highly desirable: accordingly, the Select Committee will be asked to express their views on the inclusion of amount *ad hoc*: the cost is put at between $350,000 and $400,000.**

### AIR SERVICES

"The rapid growth in the use of this airport, with its prospect of greater expansion in the near future, calls for consideration being given to the adequacy of the existing accommodation and administrative arrangements. As Hon. Members are aware, the aerodrome serves a dual purpose, being used both by the Royal Air Force and civilian aviators.

"It is to be expected that the former use will grow rather than diminish, but I am not able to make any useful forecast of its growth. Civilian machines, however, are coming in rapidly increasing numbers and tonnage.

"For instance, during the first seven months of this year 7,700 passengers used the aerodrome, that number being more than double that for the whole of 1937, while goods and mail tonnage for the former shorter period was four times that for the previous twelve months. The revenue from fees and licences collected by the Air Services Department also shews the very rapid growth of this traffic. In 1937 it amounted to $25,800: the first seven months of 1938 have already brought in $35,600 to which should be added $15,800 on account of charges for storage, rent and rates collected by the Treasury.

"There are five air lines already using the airport and it is inevitable that the number will grow. There is the further important factor that the modern aeroplane tends to take progressively longer runs in which to become air-borne. In view of these important issues I have appointed a small expert committee to examine the existing aerodrome in the light of its probable future needs and to advise upon what steps, if any, should now be taken to meet them.

### KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY

"Physical connection with the Canton-Hankow Railway, now an accomplished fact, will, it may be assumed, lead to a large permanent increase of traffic when peace again returns to China. It has already led to the institution of a bi-weekly through passenger service to Hankow and further traffic developments may be expected in due course. The necessity for the erection of godowns and the construction of additional sidings is clear and plans are in preparation to that end.

### POSTS AND TELEGRAPHS

The activities of the Postmaster General's department have undergone several changes and much growth during the last few months.

"On the one hand Messrs. Cables & Wireless have taken over all commercial wireless transmission reception and delivery. On the other, the department is now responsible for all our international wireless communications and reserved official services in the Colony; it also receives and distributes all matter coming from press agencies throughout the world.

"The increase in air-borne mail has been phenomenal and the new "All Up" service with Great Britain will bring a great expansion of the Colony's letter mail.

"The progressively high standard attained by the Hongkong Broadcasting Station is meeting with the appreciation which it deserves. I understand that the number of current licences now extant have passed the ten thousand mark, an increase of 18.5 per cent. over the number extant this time last year.

### FORESTRY AND AGRICULTURE

"The estimates reflect the intention of extending the area under forests and at the same time of tightening up conservation methods especially in respect of timber stealing. I understand that there has already been a notable decrease in this kind of larceny.

"The Superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry Department has been instructed to report on the possibilities of agricultural development of the New Territories including the larger islands.

"An agricultural reconnaissance of Lan Tau will be undertaken shortly and if the results are sufficiently promising it will be followed up by an agricultural survey.

"Admittedly, it would, initially, be rather expensive to make a small-settlement scheme attractive to the peasant farmer type but I believe that it might prove remunerative in the long run.

"In this connection it is noteworthy that of the 240 tons of fresh vegetables consumed daily in Hongkong a little over 30 tons are grown in the Colony, the remainder coming from Kwangtung Province and elsewhere. The figures for fresh meat are equally striking. Obviously it is undesirable that the Colony should be so greatly dependent on external sources for such essential commodities. If such a scheme also succeeded in relieving Victoria and Kowloon of some of their unwanted squatters and unemployed the Colony would be benefitted in a second direction.

### THE SOCIAL SERVICES

"The two principal causes of human ill-being, mal-nutrition and slum housing conditions, dominate. I regret to say, the lives of a very large majority of Hongkong's population. My predecessors set on foot two lines of inquiry which aimed at combatting these two enemies of human health.

"The Nutrition Research Committee appointed by Government in 1937 has presented an interim report. The committee's main function was to foster research into local nutritional problems, and through its own efforts as well as through existing social welfare organizations to make available to the people of Hongkong the advantages of the modern knowledge of nutrition.

"The Committee sponsored investigations into nutritional disorders of pregnant women at the Tsan Yuk Hospital and similar problems complicating the convalescene of cholera patients. It also carried out an important inquiry into the vitamin treatment of certain types of malnutrition and accorded assistance to the Committee on the Overcrowding of Prisons by evaluating various official prison diets and by making recommendations thereanent. Public interest was invited to the subject of dietetics, and a series of talks on feeding of infants, children and mothers was broadcast.

"The Committee made two recommendations in its interim report, (1), the creation of a whole time Nutritional Research studentship, and (2), the enlargement of the Committee with a view to increased activities on its part. The former of these, although it has my full approval in principle, has not been carried into effect in the draft estimates as I am advised that it is doubtful whether a suitable officer will be available in the near future: the latter has been carried out and the re-inforced committee is continuing its functions.

### HOUSING

"The actual report of the Housing Commission, is short but pregnant and there is appended to it a thoughtful and informative study of the principal features of Hongkong's problems of this nature, made in the light of the past experience of other countries.

"The report brings out the essential interdependence between slum clearance, hygienic housing of the poorer classes and town planning and, wisely, it makes no pretence of being final: its main recommendations, briefly summarised, are

That surveys of many different kinds should be put in hand at once, in order to establish the facts of the case;

That competent authorities be set up for that purpose;

That expert advice be sought when these preliminary investigations have been made, before remedial expenditure is begun on a large scale.

### PREVENTION OF DISEASES

"Intimately connected with the major issues relative to nutrition and housing two other activies need to be constant and ubiquitous if a high standard of public health is to be attained and maintained: these are infant welfare and anti-epidemical work. The former goes to the root of the matter, viz., the physical well-being of a human community is in direct ratio to the education in health subjects which it receives.

"The injury suffered here and elsewhere by young children through the ignorance of well-intentioned mothers is appalling.

"I am aware that much excellent work is being done by the charitably-inclined and by Government to this end; but the position will not be satisfactory till a network of adequate welfare-centres covers the whole Colony. I hope to see a big extension of this beneficent activity during the next few years.

### SALE OF FOOD

Two useful measures aimed at the prevention of diseases were passed

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## HIGHLIGHTS FROM H.E.'S. SPEECH

**The Colony may be adversely affected by the new Japanese operations in South China;**

**The Colony must face several problems arising out of the Kwangtung invasion;**

**New methods of assessing Military Contributions, which have reached all-time records, have been suggested to London;**

**Either the policies represented by developments in social service must be reversed or more revenue must be found;**

**Existing pier leases expire in 1949 and will not be renewed by Government. In consequence, the issue has been raised whether the harbour should be developed by Government, an independent Corporation such as a Port Trust, by private enterprise or by some combination of these methods;**

**His Excellency recommends the replacement of the Kau Sing by a new vessel;**

**Areas under forests will be extended and the Superintendent of Forests has been instructed to report on the possibilities of agricultural development in the New Territories, including the larger islands;**

**The Governor hopes to see a big extension of infant welfare work next year;**

**Trenchant comment is made regarding cost of living in Hongkong;**

**Juvenile crime in the Colony has reached disturbing proportions;**

**Revision of motor raffic laws and provision for third party compulsory insurance is forecast;**

**Comment is made on the Five Year Plan of new Public Works;**

**Investigative work will commence next year in the Tai Lam Chung Valley, where another huge reservoir is planned.**

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*The Budget Debate*

# WARNING AGAINST FUTURE OPTIMISM

## *Financial Secretary Dissects Next Year's Record Budget*

## $40,000,000 Seen As Near Budget

**IN ONE OF the most comprehensive Budget surveys ever given in Legislative Council, the Financial Secretary, Hon. Mr. S. Caine, warned against excessive optimism in the future during the Budget debate this morning.**

The present system of Military Contributions were criticised. Although a small surplus for 1938 was indicated, the Financial Secretary pointed out that this was illusory, since the Hongkong Government would still owe the Imperial Government a million dollars on account of the current year.

Mr. Caine forecast that it would not be long before Hongkong's Treasury Department would be preparing $40,000,000 budgets.

The Hon. Mr. S. Caine said:

"In moving the Resolution standing in my name, I want, without repeating the detailed figures and explanations which have already been circulated to Honourable Members, to amplify the general remarks you have made on the financial position by bringing out the principal features of our financial outlook.

"Honourable Members have had the Estimates themselves and the accompanying explanatory memoranda for nearly a fortnight and I have no doubt have examined them in that time. Perhaps the first thing which will have struck them will be a certain unfamiliarity in form, various changes in the manner of presentation having been made.

"It so happens that a number of departmental re-arrangements, of which the one most prominent in the public eye is the rearrangement of the Water Department, have coincided with changes of an accounting nature introduced by the direction of the Secretary of State; but I hope that the unfamiliar form has not proved too inconvenient and that eventually the changes will be found to have been advantageous.

**ILLUSORY SURPLUS**

"Looking at the figures of revenue and expenditure, they show a small anticipated surplus for the current year, before allowing for certain accounting adjustments. That surplus is, however, illusory because at the end of the year we shall be owing nearly a million dollars of military contribution which must be paid next year.

"Revenue is still coming in well but money is going out even faster than early in the year.

"We are having to incur a great deal of expenditure of an emergency nature and the true outcome of the year is likely to be a small deficit rather than a small surplus. The short payment of military contribution ought to be kept very prominently in mind by all those who are inclined to take a rosy view because of the large nominal surplus shown in our monthly accounts.

**$2,400,000 DEFICIT**

"As to next year, the Estimates show a probable deficit of $2,400,000 which will reduce our available surplus to $11,000,000 but if the various items of additional expenditure which Your Excellency has foreshadowed are included, the deficit will be over $2,800,000.

"I imagine, however, that what must strike anybody examining the figures of both revenue and expenditure most strongly is their magnitude.

"They are substantially higher than in any previous year and the question must arise whether that is a temporary phenomenon or whether these figures are likely to be continued in future years. It is with that question in mind that I propose to discuss the position.

"The increase on the revenue side, which is spread over nearly all the main heads, is due primarily to the larger population of the Colony.

"So far as one can distinguish between the two it is the magnitude of the population rather than the extent and profitability of business activity which most influences our revenue, affected as it is principally by the consumption of liquor and tobacco, the extent to which rated properties are occupied or not and the extent to which the transport companies, the cinema theatres and the race tracks, all of which contribute their quota to the revenue, are used by the public.

"Two particular items of revenue, the Post Office and the Railway are affected by other special considerations to which Your Excellency has already referred, that is the development of airmail and the opening of the Canton-Hankow line.

**DEPENDS ON WAR**

**"Assuming therefore that population is the major factor in own revenue it would seem that we are very largely dependent on the course of events in China, to the disturbances in which the recent increase in population here is due.**

"It must be the wish of everybody that a satisfactory end should be brought to the Sino-Japanese hostilities and once that end is reached I think it must be expected there will be some decline in the population and therefore in the revenue of this Colony.

"We hope, of course, that when peace is restored normal trade will again recover and that some of the manufacturing developments which have taken place in the Colony of recent months will not be merely temporary; but it would hardly be safe to assume that we can continue to receive from the existing sources of taxation so large a revenue as is expected for the current year or even so much as the lesser sum estimated for next year.

"It must also be remembered that we are proposing to set against next year's expenditure a non-recurrent item, the $839,000 withdrawn from the Government House and City Development Fund.

**NO REDUCTION IN COSTS**

**"When we turn, however, to expenditure I fear that there is less prospect of reduction in future years.**

"The main increases are shown under pensions; defence, including military contribution; police; medical; charitable services; and public works. I ignore the increases under Post Office and Railway which are higher running costs likely to be offset by higher receipts.

"The only head under which we can reasonably expect any substantial reduction after 1939 is that of military contribution and that because as already explained, we are providing in 1939 for a large payment on account of 1938.

**THOSE PENSIONS**

**"Under other heads of expenditure I fear that far from expecting reductions we must prepare for further increases.**

"There will for example be an automatic and unavoidable increase under the head "Pensions."

The figures given in the memorandum circulated with the estimates show an increase of some 30 per cent. between 1936 and 1938.

**"Comparisons before that year are vitiated by exchange fluctuations but taking sterling payments alone the pensions bill has more than doubled since 1930.**

"There is no sign that the increase is yet coming to an end. It must be remembered that the pension bill is in the main governed by the establishment and the salary scales in existence ten or twenty years ago and little can be done to reduce it immediately unless Government is to default on its obligations

"Some attempt has been made to stem the tide of increase in the more distant future by the recent adoption in all the senior grades of the service of new scales of salary which provide lower pensionable emoluments.

"A similar increase takes place annually in Widows' and Orphans' pensions. Here, as Honourable Members have pointed out on previous occasions, Government is in the position of having accepted contributions from officers and, while there is no foundation for the mischievous statements that Government makes a profit out of those contributions, it has incurred a liability to pay pensions in the future which will have to be met in due course.

"It is impossible to state without an actuarial valuation what that liability is.

"Those members who have previously taken an interest in this subject will however be pleased to learn that it has been decided in principle, with the approval of the Secretary of State, to recast the whole system of Widows' and Orphans' pensions and to establish an independent Fund into which will be paid a sum representing the present liability of Government on this account and annual sums for the future representing Government's contribution towards the pensions of the widows and orphans of public officers.

"The compiling of the information for the necessary actuarial valuation has already been started but it is a slow business and it is quite impossible to say when the actual change will take place. It will not, I may add, reduce the benefits to which officers are entitled under the existing Scheme.

**ACCUMULATED LIABILITY**

"The effects of the change on Government accounts will be, first, that we shall have to provide a sum, probably running into millions of dollars, representing the accumulated liability, necessitating a further substantial diminution in our nominal surplus balance; and secondly that each year thereafter we shall have to provide in the estimates a contribution representing the true amount of the Government assistance given to the fund, while losing the receipts on the revenue side representing the officers' contributions.

"I am sure that Honourable Members will agree that it will be better to face our liabilities in this way instead of deferring them to an indefinite future but so far as future estimates are concerned it will mean an increase in the expenditure.

**PUBLIC DEBT CHARGES**

"Another head which may be expected in a few years to show an automatic increase is that of public debt charges.

"We have been charging to loan account considerable capital expenditure on waterworks and other items but much of the actual money has so far been found from advances made out of our surplus balances.

"That cannot go on for ever and some day a loan must be raised to repay these advances. The amount advanced at the end of the current year is expected to be something over $12,000,000 and debt charges on that, at the same rate as are now being paid on the part of the loan already raised would amount to about $900,000 a year.

"Next there are a number of heads of expenditure in which increases are not automatic in the sense of arising out of legal commitments but are unavoidable unless substantial changes in government policy are made. These are defence services and the large group of social services, particularly health and education.

**DEFENCE EXPENDITURE**

"Under the head of defence in the estimates very much the largest item is the defence contribution. Apart from the possible change in the whole system, that expenditure is not within our contr

**"Other defence expenditure is legally at least within the discretion but for all practical purposes we are compelled to an increase in it by forces beyond control of this Colony.**

"Our expenditure is truly for defence purposes and is designed solely to help in meeting any possible attack, but it is rendered imperative by the fear of war which, ghastly as it seems to all intelligent people, overhangs and darkens the world to-day.

"The comparatively small heads of the Volunteer Defence Corps and the Naval Volunteer Force are increasing in cost as a result.

**"Those increases must continue so long as the dictates of policy require increases in the numbers of those forces and the supply to them of more and more expensive equipment in order to keep pace with modern military requirements.**

**AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS**

"The principal increase in defence expenditure for which we must allow is, however, in the sphere of air raid precautions.

"In the 1938 estimates a figure of $50,000 was inserted, admittedly as a token vote.

"I regret to say that it has been necessary to exceed that figure very substantially and a supplementary vote will in due course be placed before Council for approval.

"The additional expenditure was decided upon after the printed Estimates before you were prepared and instead of the figure appearing in them the revised estimate for 1938 must now be put at $120,000. In 1939 the head shows a further large expansion to a total of $338,065.

Even that, however, is providing for a first instalment only of what the Air Raid Precautions Officer considers necessary for the protection of the civil population against air attack.

**"I may say that his original estimates provided for expenditure next year of many times the sum now in the estimates and there can be no doubt that large further additions to equipment and stores will be necessary in subsequent years.**

"Decisions have not yet been taken as to the exact supplies of, for example, gas masks which should be provided and most of this Head is contained in the single sub-head of $250,000 for all kinds of equipment under the title of Mobilization Stores, which may well have to be substantially supplemented even during 1939.

"In addition to the expenditure shown under the Air Raid Precaution Head, provision is being made under Public Works Extraordinary for the erection of certain stores and other buildings in connection with air raid precaution work at an estimated cost of $200,000. Here again it may be necessary to come to Council later

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## HIGHLIGHTS FROM SPEECH

**THE SMALL ANTICIPATED 1938 surplus is an illusory one, due to the fact that almost $1,000,000 is still owing to the Imperial Government for Military Contributions;**

**Revenue is still coming in well, but money is going out even faster than earlier in the year;**

**Those who are inclined to take a rosy view because of the large nominal surplus shown in monthly accounts are warned of future prospects;**

**The probable deficit next year will be something over $2,800,000;**

**Revenue and expenditure are records. The increase in revenue is due primarily to the Colony's larger population, while there is little hope that expenditure will be decreased;**

**Main increases in costs are shown under pensions, defence, including military contributions, police, medical, charitable works and public works;**

**No reductions can be expected under these heads in 1939;**

**Increases in Pensions under the present system are unavoidable. Increases since 1936 amount to 30 per cent. and there are no signs that increases are coming to an end. Some attempt has been made to stem the tide;**

**Criticism is made of the present system of Defence Contributions to the Imperial Government. Increases under all heads of Defence must increase so long as the dictates of policy require increases in the number of volunteers, etc. and more and more expensive equipment;**

**Air Raid Precautions are the major concern. It has become imperative that substantial increases be made in votes under this heading;**

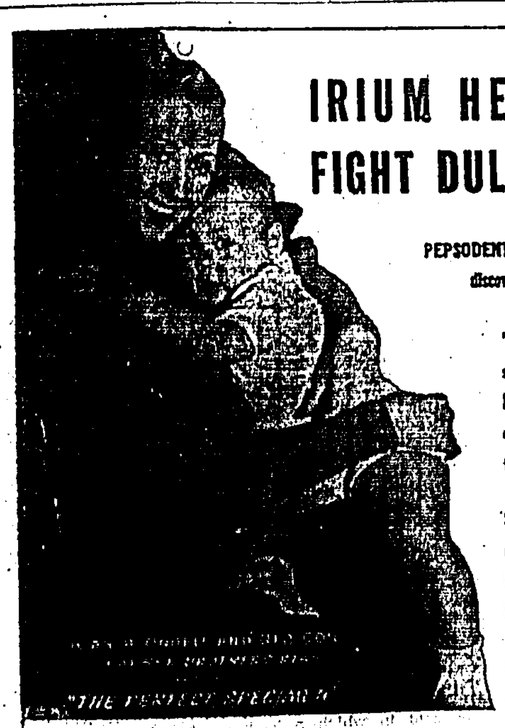
**The war on disease must be pursued with increasing vigour, and increases proposed next year for the Medical Department are not the end of the story;**

**It is possible that many people who have become a charge on the Colony as a result of the Sino-Japanese hostilities will remain permanently in Hongkong;**

**If refugee camps now being opened are required for the whole of next year the sum set aside for their upkeep will be insufficient.**

## Heavy Costs Of Public Works

## Military Expenses

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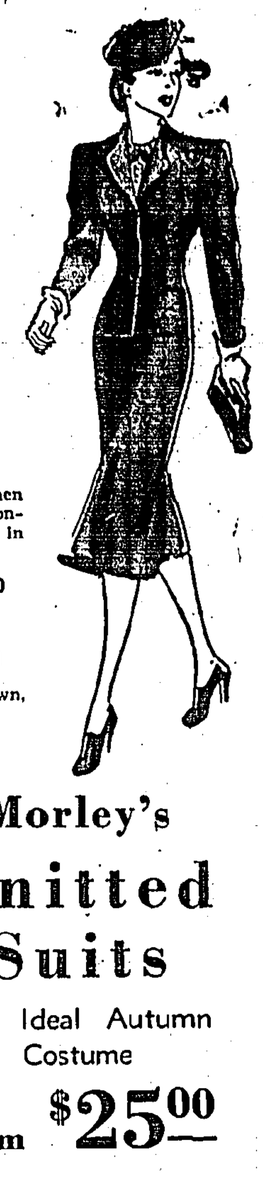

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## WAR IN BIAS BAY

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the Japanese Consul General that large-scale celebrations, at which a number of foreign people from Canton and Hongkong would gather, were contemplated for October 23.

In view of the situation the Japanese authorities have informed the German officials that a big assembly would naturally be inadvisable under the present circumstances.

It is presumed that the celebrations will therefore be cancelled.

It is learned that General Mo Hsi-teh, whose men are known as "model" troops among the Cantonese soldiers, and General Chen Shun-yung, Commander of the Kwangtung Garrison in Bias Bay since 1934, are now directing the Chinese operations in this area.

An official Chinese announcement, received through the *United Press* reports that severe fighting is still in progress in the vicinity of Ha-chung.

Foreign official sources learn that the Chinese defenders have been forced four or five miles inland from the coast, where they are now holding up the Japanese advance.

The American Consul at Canton has advised all American women and children, and also men who have no pressing business in Canton, to evacuate to Hongkong.

It is believed in Canton that communications with Hongkong will cease altogether within a few days.

Swatow was again heavily bombed to-day, according to *United Press* despatches.

Heavy gunfire was audible last night in the direction of Hope Bay, and the Chinese report that an attempted Japanese landing was repulsed.

The city was visited twice this morning by a seaplane, but no bombs were dropped, and the populace remains calm a *Reuter* message states.

Japanese reports state that Japanese troops are expected to cut the Kowloon-Canton Railway near Chengmuktau, 50 miles west of Hongkong, says *United Press.*

**LANDING FORCES PROGRESS**

Tokyo, Oct. 13.

The Japanese forces who landed at four undisclosed places in South China early Wednesday morning, about noon on the same day progressed several kilometres inland, the Army Department of the Imperial Headquarters announced here this morning.

With the Chinese forces taken completely by surprise, the Japanese forces lost not a single man in their landing operations, the communique says.

"The weather was calm and the disembarcation was carried out very smoothly. We are grateful for the divine intervention," the announcement states.

The surprise landing of large Japanese forces in South China has shaken the Chinese defences in the Wuhan area. Chiang Kai-shek is concentrating more than 10 divisions in Yochow and Changsha. There are indications that he is giving up his determination to defend the Wuhan area to the bitter finish, the communique concludes.—*Domei.*

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| War Loan | 101½ | 100½ |

—*British Wireless.*

# NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 17th day of October, 1938, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Kowloon Tsai, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, ($200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

| No. of Sale | Registry No | Locality. | Boundary Measurements N. | S. | E. | W. | Contents in sq. feet | Annual Rental | Upset Price |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | feet | feet | feet | feet | | | |
| 1 | New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2637. | East of New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2339, Kowloon Tsai. | As per sale plan. | | | | About 12,000 | $138 | $6,000 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | feet | feet | feet | feet | | | |
| 2 | Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4041. | Opposite Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1382, and Kowloon Marine Lot No. 85, To Kwa Wan Road, To Kwa Wan. | As per sale plan. | | | | About 65,130 | $1,196 | $48,848 |

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES AND UNDERWRITERS

s/s "CHENONCEAUX"

Voyage 22-Return/1938.

NOTICE is hereby given that the above mentioned steamer having grounded on the 4th of October, 1938, four miles off Hongkong, General Average has been declared on all cargo on board from Japan Ports and Shanghai.

Consignees of cargo for Hongkong are hereby requested to sign a General Average Bond supported by two copies of the original invoices, and pay a 4% Average Deposit on the c. i. f. value of the goods before the cargo can be delivered.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES

R. OHL,
Agent.

Hongkong, October 11, 1938.

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, ($200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | feet | feet | feet | feet | | | |
| 3 | Kowloon Inland Lot No 4043. | Junction of Tam Kung Road and Mok Cheong Street, Ma Tau Kok. | As per sale plan. | | | | About 1,200 | $14 | $600 |

## CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

**SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.**

Steamship

"ATHOS II"

24*A/38

Bringing Cargo from Marseilles via Saigon, etc., arrived Hongkong on Wednesday, 12th October, 1938.

Consignees are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored into the Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before 22nd October, 1938, or they will not be recognized.

Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyor Messrs:—Goddard and Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday, 18th October, 1938.

Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL,
Agent.

Hongkong, 12th October, 1938.

**COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.**

Steamship

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Goods not cleared by the 19th October, 1938, will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Co.'s representatives on any Tuesdays and Fridays at 2.30 p.m. within the free storage period. For the examination of damaged dutiable goods, the consignees must arrange for a Revenue Officer to be present.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No fire insurance has been effected.

**NIPPON YUSEN KAISYA.**

**Hongkong, 12th October, 1938.**

# Two Men Hurt In Crash On Motor-Cycle

### Allegedly Taken Without Owner's Permission

A sequel to an accident in Island Road on Sunday morning, when two Chinese were found lying beside a badly damaged motor cycle with serious injuries, was the appearance before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning of two men, Luk Tak-wing, 20, a student, charged with driving the cycle without the permission of the owner, and Cheng Tick, 24, a broker, charged with aiding and abetting Luk.

Traffic-Sergeant W. Campbell, who prosecuted, said that the cycle belonged to Mr. S. C. Liu, of 8 Fort Street, ground floor, who had left it parked outside the Lido Dance Hall on Saturday evening. When Mr. Liu went to fetch the cycle, he found it had disappeared, and reported the matter to the police.

About 2 a.m. on Sunday, Sergeant Campbell, on being informed that an accident had occurred in Island Road between Stanley and Repulse Bay, proceeded to the scene, and found Luk and Cheng lying seriously injured beside the missing cycle, which was wrecked.

Apparently Luk had been driving, with Cheng sitting on the pillion, when the former lost control and crashed.

Cheng and Luk appeared in Court this morning with thickly bandaged heads, and Cheng with a blood-stained jacket.

Mr. J. M. d'Almada Remedios appeared on behalf of Luk, and asked for a date to be fixed for hearing.

The case against Luk was accordingly adjourned to 2.30 p.m. on October 31.

Cheng, who admitted aiding and abetting Luk, was remanded until to-morrow.

The cycle, it was stated, was damaged to the extent of $100.

## CONTROLLED ZONES IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, Oct. 13.

The question of policing the two Japanese-controlled areas of Hongkew and Yangtszepoo in the event of their being opened up, has, it is understood, been the principal subject for discussion between the Japanese and the Shanghai Municipal Council in a series of conferences carried on during the past few months, states the *Shanghai Times.*

The Japanese authorities, it is stated, indicated they would like to see Japanese police officers in charge of one or two police stations in the northern and eastern areas. Representatives on the council, it is understood, agree to the scheme in principle.

One factor likely to influence a return to normal conditions in Hongkew and Yangtszepoo, the article states, is a growing feeling on the part of Japanese civilians in these areas that peace-time conditions be restored. Many Japanese feel that a civil, rather than military influence should now predominate these areas. One very complicating factor in the discussions is that the Council is unable to recognise any Japanese regimes without the authorisation of the Powers.—*Reuter.*

# Increase In Cholera

The sudden return of very hot weather during the last two days has resulted in an increase in the cholera incidence in Hongkong. During the past 24 hours four new cases have been reported, and the total for the year is now 475.

During the same period there were five new cases of dysentery, making the year's aggregate 800, and in addition there were two notifications of enteric fever, and one case each of diphtheria and meningitis.

## SWEEPSTAKE RACES

### "A" And Mixed Class Yachts Compete

Sweepstake races were held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday over a distance of 7.4 miles, being first in the "A" class which started at 14.45 and Ariel in the mixed classes which started at 14.55. Results:

| "A" Class | Finished | Corrd. | Pos |
|---|---|---|---|
| Eve (E. Bader). | 16.16.40 | — | 1 |
| Teal (J. E. Dobbs). | 16.17.20 | — | 2 |
| La Linda (Mrs. M. I. Johnstone). | 16.17.49 | — | 3 |
| Kittiwake (Miss P. M. King). | 16.18.59 | — | 4 |
| Jean (R. W. Smales). | 16.20.13 | — | 5 |
| Joss (P. H. MacMillan). | 16.21.00 | — | 6 |
| Maureen (R. Lawder). | 16.25.20 | — | 7 |
| Gull | D.N.F. | | |
| **Mixed Classes** | | | |
| Ariel (Drew Wilkinson). | 16.18.03 | 16.16.49 | 1 |
| Colleen (E. D'A. Staunton). | 16.19.28 | — | 2 |
| Widgeon (Miss H. Crawhall Wilson). | 16.19.36 | 16.19.44 | 3 |
| Alisa (W. G. Ingram). | 16.20.43 | 16.21.28 | 4 |
| Robena (R. R. Lindsay). | 16.25.00 | 16.24.21 | 5 |

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## WARNING AGAINST FUTURE OPTIMISM

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for approval of supplementary votes for other special constructional work connected with air raid precautions.

**POLICE ESTIMATE HIGHER**

"After external defence comes internal security. The Police Estimates are higher, owing mainly to increased personnel which is necessary in view of the greater population and other responsibilities resulting from the present situation in South China. It is unfortunately not possible to hope that those responsibilities will soon disappear.

"Naturally connected with Police are Prisons. Under that Head no increase is provided in the Estimates as now drafted but the plans for reform referred to by Your Excellency will entail expenditure of which estimates will have to be submitted to Council at a later date.

**WAR ON DISEASE**

"The next large increase is under the Medical Department. The memorandum which has been circulated gives details of the increased medical services which are proposed.

**Experience of the epidemics which have struck the Colony in the last two years must have brought home to everybody that it is just as necessary to strengthen our defences against disease as to strengthen them against military attack.**

"Nor must it be imagined that the increases proposed next year are the end of the story.

"Proposed additions and improvements to hospital provision, the establishment of public health centres throughout the Colony and numerous other very desirable developments of a similar kind will demand in due course both additional personnel and increased recurrent charges for their maintenance and operation.

"Such additional financial commitments can only be avoided by abandoning what is the present policy of Government, of endeavouring to remove at least the most obvious menaces to the health of the Colony.

**DESTITUTE REFUGEES**

"To some extent connected with improvement of health are certain items of expenditure on the relief and assistance to various classes of the community.

"The problem we have most prominently before us at the moment is that of the unfortunate persons who are destitute on the streets as a result of the incursion of refugees from South China.

"A sum of $150,000 has been provided under Charitable Services for the relief of such destitutes but if the camps which are now being erected have to be maintained in full operation for the whole of next year I fear that the expenditure will substantially exceed that amount.

**"Moreover, the possibility must be faced that many of these people who have become the responsibility of the Colony as a result of the disturbances in South China will remain a responsibility for years to come.**

**SOCIAL AMELIORATION**

You have hinted, Sir, at a policy of social amelioration involving if necessary a regulation of entry into the Colony.

"It may be taken as probable, or indeed certain, that such a policy, whether its primary purpose is improvement of housing or correction of malnutrition, must also involve expenditure, and large expenditure, by Government.

**"I venture to express personal agreement with the objects of such a policy but it is my duty to emphasize to this Council the certain financial consequences in order that preparation may be made for meeting them.**

"Two other items of charitable expenditure deserve mention not so much because of their magnitude but because they illustrate the effect of social policy on finance.

"The Government has recently adopted measures which were very generally welcomed both in the Colony and in England to improve the protection afforded to certain classes of women and girls.

"As a result of those measures the Chinese Secretariat had in the first place to be strengthened by additional personnel to carry on inspection duties but it has also become responsible for the well-being of increasing numbers of girls and something has to be done to provide for them.

"Accordingly the Po Leung Kuk has had to be asked to undertake increased responsibility with the inevitable consequence of an increased Government grant; and for similar reasons a new grant is proposed to the Tai Po Rural Orphanage.

"Last among the group of social services is education. The estimates before you show very little increase in the proposed expenditure of that department for next year but the implementation of the policy as regards teachers training referred to by Your Excellency has not been provided for in these estimates. It is likely to require capital expenditure at once for the erection or conversion of buildings and eventually a steady annual expenditure on teaching staff and grants to students in training.

"Government has also recently adopted new codes governing subsidies to vernacular schools which are deliberately designed to encourage the provision of fully qualified teachers by offering increased scales of grant to schools possessing certain prescribed percentages of qualified teachers. As the schools react to that stimulus, in which they will be assisted by the new proposals regarding the training of teachers, the annual expenditure on grants is bound to increase very substantially.

**FIVE YEAR PLAN**

"The other big field in which a large increase in expenditure may be seen is under the Head of Public Works.

"A plan, which is now before Honourable Members, has been prepared providing for a number of big works which it is proposed to undertake in the next five years. I doubt if any body will argue that any of those

## COLONY'S RECORD BUDGET

*(Continued from Page 1.)*

**number of years, $200,000 has been set aside in the 1939 estimates.**

Other big Public Work undertakings include an estimated expenditure of $281,000 on strengthening bridges, of which $30,000 will be spent in 1939; the opening of the eastern end of Argyle Street to its full width at an estimated cost of $120,000, of which $50,000 will be spent next year and the expenditure of $100,000 on new Government Garages at Kennedy Town.

**Full reports of His Excellency the Governor's speech and the speech by the Financial Secretary are given on Pages two and three.**

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|---|---|
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| T.T. Manila | 59 |
| T.T. Batavia | 54 |
| T.T. Bangkok | 140¾ |
| T.T. Saigon | 110 |
| T.T. France | 11 |
| T.T. Germany | 73¼ |
| T.T. Switzerland | 129¼ |
| T.T. Australia | 1/6⅞ |
| **Buying** | |
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| 4 m/c D/p do. | 1/3.5/32 |
| 4 m/s L/c U.S.A. | 29⅞ |
| 4 m/s France | 11.85 |
| 30 d/s India | 84⅞ |
| U.S. Cross rate in London | 4.74½ |

works is not necessary and, in most cases, overdue.

"Criticism is likely to be directed, I think, to the omissions, e.g. the new Mental Hospital and a new Queen's College, rather than to the items included.

"As the Sessional Paper shows, it is desired to maintain expenditure on this programme at a steady annual figure in future years and while the plan is such that postponement could be made, the works are in fact urgently needed and ought not to be put off if it can be avoided.

"It may be asked whether some of these could not be met from loan. I think that would be possible, but I believe that it is always sound finance to meet as much as we can out of revenue.

"We have in fact effected a compromise between loan and revenue because all waterworks capital expenditure is for the time being met from the loan account.

"Mention of water draws attention to another large increase of expenditure, that is the contribution of some 4 lakhs a year to the Waterworks Renewals Account. I suppose the ineradicable suspicion of Government's motives in this matter will make it difficult for the public to believe, but that contribution is a real charge on general revenue and represents, together with the loss of revenue which is expected to result on balance from the adoption of the new scale of charges, the cost of implementing the new water policy.

"So much for the major increase of expenditure envisaged next year or in the near future. I must however add, also, some minor or less imminent increases which are likely to be entailed by other developments foreshadowed in Your Excellency's address.

Many of these, for example the development of town-planning and the greater attention it is hoped to pay to agricultural and forestry developments, are in the nature of investments and may be expected to yield a return in the years to come by way of increased revenue or economies in public expenditure.

**"But I fear that in nearly every case the first thing necessary to implement all those developments will be more money.**

**$40,000,000 BUDGET**

Of recent years the expenditure of the Colony has been in the neighbourhood of $30,000,000 with a tendency to rise.

"Next year we are contemplating an expenditure of nearly $39,000,000.

**"If the policies I have referred to are to be maintained, my successor of a few years hence may be presenting a Budget of $40,000,000.**

"In suggesting that, I am deliberately trying to correct the impression of a rosy financial outlook which our soaring revenues may have given, but I am not by any means painting too gloomy a picture.

"We are fortunate in being for the moment free of anxiety for the immediate future—in the financial sense, I mean—and the passing for the time being of acute financial stringency has enabled us to open the purse-strings a little more freely and to permit certain necessary, often very acutely necessary, expansions and developments, without reducing our estimated surplus balances at the end of 1939 below the $10,000,000 mark which has been regarded up to now as the minimum reserve.

"But as Your Excellency has suggested, that is not a large reserve.

"With a $40,000,000 budget in prospect it is no more than three months revenue and it would undoubtedly be well to increase it, especially in view of the many uncertainties which still surround the Colony's future.

**MUST SECURE FUNDS**

"If this view of the outlook is correct, therefore, the problem is of finding means to meet the prospective increased expenditure. The alternative is to abandon or modify the policies which give rise to it.

"I believe that in every instance I have referred to it will be money well spent and money which this Colony as a community can afford to spend; but Government must consider how it can itself secure the necessary funds and this, I would urge, is the time to consider that question, not some years hence when we shall be already committed and faced perhaps with already depleted cash balances.

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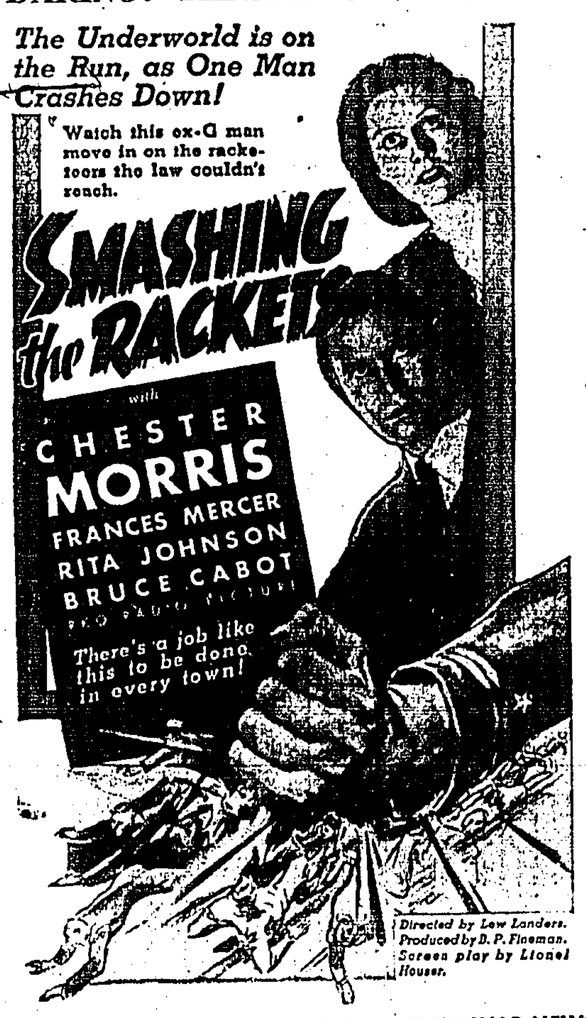


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# H.K. GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL REVIEW

## *Tabulation of Increases in Govt. Revenue and Expenditure*

## EFFECT OF WAR ON COLONY'S ANNUAL BUDGETS

**THE MEMORANDUM on the financial position given by the Financial Secretary showed that 1937 Revenue exceeded the original estimate by $4,436,118, thanks to the general trade improvement in the first half of the year, the increase in population, and the activity of Hongkong as a result of the Sino-Japanese hostilities.**

Notable were the revenue increases in the import duty on liquor of $327,763, and the increase in Water Excess Supply and Meter Rents of $1,204,596. Assessed rates rose $314,066.

Expenditure for the year was $32,111,222, being $147,938 less than the estimate.

Notable were the expenditure increases in pensions of $359,810. The Military Contribution was up $206,755, owing to the larger revenue than in 1936. Typhoon damage caused an increase of $64,029 in the Kowloon Canton Railway expenditure and $281,869 in Public Works Recurrent.

In anticipating the revenue results of 1938, the revised estimate is $35,600,000, an excess of $5,405,080 over the original and of $2,463,633 over the actual revenue of 1937.

Actual revenue up to August 31 was approximately 21 per cent. more than the porportionate amount of the estimate. The increase is due to the large number of people in the Colony, to the diversion of trade to Hongkong, but also due to the numerous manufacturing and other activities formerly carried on in Shanghai and other cities affected by the hostilities.

For 1939 the increase over the approved revenue estimate in the case of the import duty on liquor is expected to be $325,000, in the case of tobacco, $850,000, and assessed taxes $275,000. Water Excess Supply and Meter Rents are expected to rise by $200,000 and Post Office receipts by $512,000.

Of note is the increase expected in the Kowloon Canton Railway at $745,000.

### BIGGER MILITARY CONTRIBUTION

Increased revenue of 1938 has necessitated a further military contribution amounting to $654,933 and up to Sept. 15 Supplementary Votes amounting to $2,591,384 have been approved by the Finance Committee.

Expenditure estimates for 1938 on account of epidemics and refugees are up by $222,165, making a total estimate of $2,400,000 for the Medical Department. Kowloon-Canton railway expenditure may rise $417,654 owing to active working and repair and special damages. Charitable services at $425,000 will be up $210,226 owing to the refugees and additional grants to Chinese charities. Pensions will rise $300,000 to a total of $2,880,000 and under additional works, including the construction of refugee camps, there will be an increase expenditure of $872,150 making a total of $2,150,000.

### SURPLUS OF ASSETS

The net result if the revised estimates of revenue and expenditure are realised will be to increase the surplus of assets at December 31 to $14,506,923.

The revenue for 1939 which is put at $35,257,621, has been estimated generally on the assumption that the conomic activity of the Colony will be maintained at not far short of its present level.

This may appear optimistic, says the Memorandum, but so long as hostilities continue in China, the present population is likely to be maintained while the transfer of business to Hongkong appears to be still going on. Building in prospect is a good deal higher than a year ago.

No increase is expected in revenue in 1939 on liquor, motor spirit, and tobacco accounts, but rates are expected to rise $200,000 to $6,200,000. Land sales are expected to fall by $350,000 and Kowloon Canton Railway receipts by $116,000.

It is pointed out in the railway estimates that while much of the present goods traffic is connected with the war in China, it may be assumed that a permanent increase will result from the Hankow link, reviving passenger traffic when peace comes.

However it is added that the estimate may be entirely falsified if military operations should lead to suspension of through traffic for a substantial period.

### NO NEW TAXATION

**It has again been found possible to frame estimates for the coming year without the necessity of proposing new or increased taxation.**

Expenditure in 1939 is estimated at $38,502,760. After deducting the total estimate revenue of $36,097,325, there will be a deficit of $2,405,435.

### MAJOR INCREASES

The major increase over the 1938 estimates and the reason for them are as follows;

**Charitable Services; $243,490** Increased grants arising out of the refugee problem.

**Air Raid Precautions; $268,065.** This is largely tentative and may have to be supplemented before the end of 1939.

**Defence Contribution; $1,408,320;** Contribution is assessed on the higher estimate of revenue for 1939, but provision is also made for payment of additional contribution in respect of 1938, estimated at $948,670.

**Medical; $338,432.** Expansion of services on account of epidemics and refugees.

**Police; $134,432.** Increased staff owing to greater responsibilities.

**Post Office; $130,484.** Increased staff and larger air mail payments.

**Waterworks; $529,407.** Includes Maintenance charges and contributions to Renewal Fund. The latter is in effect a new charge on general revenue arising out of the plan to make the Water Department self-supporting.

**Public Works Extraordinary; $1,055,385.** This includes the new Government House, improvements to the Taipoo Road connecting with the through roads to Canton, and Police and Air Raids Precautions buildings.

The total estimated expenditure for 1939 is very appreciably higher than 1938 or in any previous year. After allowing for the expected deficit, the surplus of assets will still exceed by a comfortable margin the minimum of $10,000,000 which it is desired to maintain as a reserve.

The increase in expenditure, where they are not either automatic or forced upon the Government by current circumstances, are no more than an attempt to meet needs which have long been recognised as urgent.

### NEW JAPANESE CONSUL

Mr. Takio Koda has been appointed Japanese Consul in Hongkong.

## Lord Mayor's Fund Grows

LONDON, Oct. 12.

**THE LORD MAYOR of London returned by air to-day from Prague, where he had consulted with the authorities with regard to the disposition of his fund in aid of Czecho-Slovakian refugees, which now totals over £50,000.**

**The Lord Mayor told *Reuter* in an interview that he found those with whom he mixed very friendly to Britain. Thousands of letters enclosing donations are arriving daily at the Mansion House.—*Reuter*.**

## Two Soldiers In Court On Robbery Charge

Alleged to have been involved n a robbery at West Point on Monday evening, two British soldiers of the Royal Artillery were charged before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning.

The men were Gunner John Thomas Phelan, 21, and Gunner Frederick Denis Homer, 24, both of the 24th Heavy Battery, 8th Heavy Regiment, R.A., stationed at Mount Davis Fort. They were alleged to have robbed a carpenter named Leung Ting, 33, of $6 at the Kennedy Town Praya on October 10.

From a report of the affair made to the police by Leung, it appeared that he was walking along the Praya about 8.45 p.m., when two Europeans, dressed in shirts and shorts, approached. One, whom he alleged was Phelan, grabbed him by the jacket and struck him a blow in the face, while Homer went through his pockets and took the money from his girdle .The two men then released him and fled.

Detective-Sergeant J. Allen, who is in charge of the case, asked for a formal remand of one week, saying the case was for committal.

Phelan and Hamer were remanded in gaol custody.

### $13,500,000 FOR BIG DEVELOPMENTS IN H.K. PUBLIC WORKS

*(Continued from Page 1.)*

and City Development Scheme which was prepared some years ago and was discussed in a memorandum by my predecessor. I find myself in agreement with Sir Andrew Caldecott in disliking the proposal for intensive development of the sites now occupied by Government House and the Colonial Secretariat and neighbouring buildings. On the other hand I cannot agree with him regarding the undesirability of building a new Government House and hold with Sir William Peel that the balance of advantage lies in proceeding with such construction.

My reasons for reaching this conclusion are as follows:—

It is no longer economically sound to continue to maintain the present Government House and this factor will become progressively more cogent as time goes on. Furthermore the present Government House and its grounds are not adequate to modern requirements either in size or convenience.

The existing Central Offices of Government are quite unworthy of the Colony's status, as regards both the accommodation which they offer and their appearance. Moreover, they also, for structural reasons, will need to be replaced before many years are out. But no development is possible of their present site, which is considered to be the most suitable for the Government's Headquarter Offices, until the occupants of the existing buildings have been housed elsewhere. This could best be done in the present Government House which must, of course, first be evacuated.

I consider therefore that the project of removing Government House to another site should be proceeded with at once, both on economic grounds and as an essential preliminary to a worthy development of the area lying between Queen's Road and the Public Gardens; and for this purpose I regard the Magazine Gap site as being the most advantageous of those put forward for consideration. Adoption of this site would enable the Governor to dispense with Mountain Lodge, the upkeep of which is very expensive.

The cost of erection including the preparation for this site is put in round figures at $2,000,000. It is suggested that funds can be found by the utilization of the amount now lying to the credit of the Government House and City Development Fund $840,000 and the amounts which it is hoped to realize by the sale of the old City Hall site and other sites at present available or expected to be rendered available as a result of the removal of Government House.

The financing of the new Government House is not, however, dependent on the actual sale of the sites referred to. Money can be found immediately from surplus balances which will be replenished in due course when the sites are actually sold. Nor does this proposal make it absolutely necessary to sell all the sites in question if, as a result of further consideration of the development of this area, it is thought preferable to retain them or any parts of them for other purposes.

A suggestion is that the site now occupied by the Secretariat and Public Works Department buildings should ultimately be used for the Central Buildings of Government. In the writer's mind there is the further conception that the City Hall and the Colonial Museum should form part of such a scheme. But this is a question which raises many issues and cannot be settled immediately. The decision whether or not a new Government House should be built should be taken independently of it; there is no real connection between them, except that the removal of Government House to another site would clear the ground both literally and figuratively for consideration of the subsequent problem.

### NEW FACILITIES AT KAI TAK

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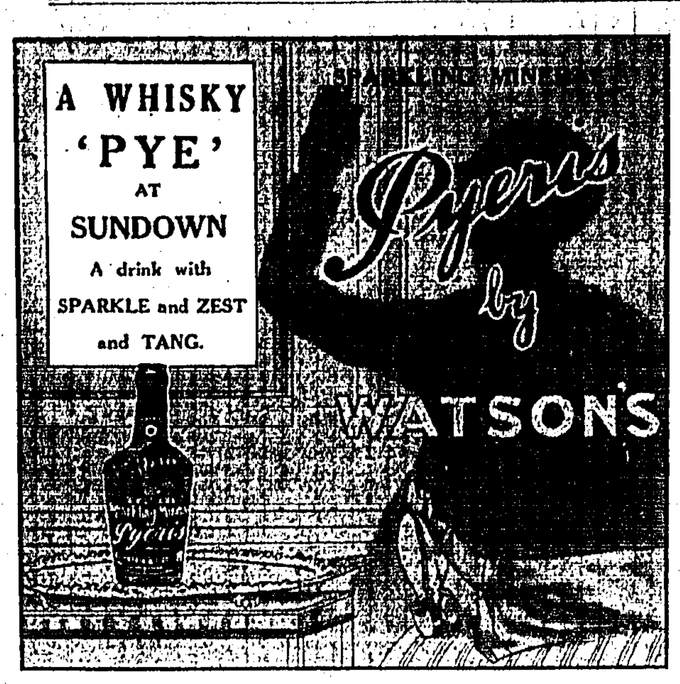


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## THE WAR COMES NEARER

Until the position in South China is clarified the not unexpected developments yesterday cannot be fully commented upon. It cannot be said that South China or Hongkong were unprepared for the invasion that has now become a reality. It has been known for some time in official circles in both China and Hongkong that the Japanese Imperial Government contemplated the creation of another major battle-field in that vast land that is China, and the latter country's preparations have included the massing of at least a quarter of a million troops in the area now threatened. In Hongkong, emergency regulations controlling the influx of refugees and Japanese and Chinese shipping have been the subject of correspondence between the Hongkong Government and London since January, and the regulations were actually gazetted a week ago.

If, as present reports indicate, Japan has landed only 30,000 troops for the South China invasion, the task is going to be the most difficult she has undertaken in China. Opposed to the Japanese invaders are an overwhelming force of the flower of the Chinese armies—Kwangsi and Kwangtung troops whose forefathers cradled the 1911 Revolution just over 27 years ago and later marched northwards to make Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek ruler of China. The fighting qualities of the Kwangtung troops are regarded as being much higher than those of the forces who fought the Japanese in Shanghai and Shantung, or of those now defending Hankow.

Hongkong as a neutral in the war between China and Japan, can be affected by the new emergency only by yet another rush of refugees. The problem of their segregation has been dealt with so promptly by the British authorities that there is no cause for anxiety that they will descend suddenly *en masse* on the urban areas, as did other and earlier refugees. The Government is to be congratulated that its wise preliminary preparations for segregating and caring for refugees at camps in the New Territories will not now render it necessary to guard and close the entire frontier. Hongkong, happily, is to-day in a position to offer sanctuary to these unfortunate victims of war.

The equilibrium with which official quarters in Hongkong regards the latest developments is indicated by the fact that the only military action has been to despatch 200 soldiers to the New Territories to aid the police in controlling the crowds of unfortunate people who undoubtedly will seek sanctuary in this British territory. Excitement, as in previous crises, will die almost as quickly as it has arisen.

Personalities of Old Hongkong

# Sir Hercules Robinson

By T. Paul Gregory

"MY appointment to Hongkong was regarded by my friends as a subject more fit for condolences than for congratulations." This was said by Sir Hercules Robinson nearly eighty-five years ago when he was nominated Governor of this Colony. Well he might be of this opinion; for then Hongkong had the worst possible reputation in England, not only for unhealthiness, but also for being a place officially as well as socially at ease with itself. Owing either to weakness or incapacity of the previous administration, things had been steadily going from bad to worse, and the community itself was in a complete state of disorganisation.

When he left, however, he could conscientiously say that during the six years of his stay he had seen Hongkong emerge from near chaos and develop from a second-rate outpost into a prosperous, populous and contented Colony, ranking first-class in official status in the Empire.

The man who accomplished all this was an Irishman, born about the year 1804. Like many others of his countrymen, Sir Hercules commenced his career by serving as a soldier in the British Army, joining the 87th Fusiliers. By 1846, he had risen to officer's rank, and owing to the serious famine brought about by the failure of the potato crop in his Homeland, he felt that he could better serve his country by acting in another capacity. Therefore, he tendered his resignation, and took up duties under the Commissioner of Public Works and Poor Law Board in Ireland designed to alleviate the suffering of the poverty-stricken masses. In this capacity, he served with credit until the year 1849, when he was appointed by the Government to sit on a Commission to enquire into the fairs and markets of Ireland.

### Rapid Promotion

So well done was this task that he won the commendation of the Government, and upon his deciding to enter the foreign service, he was nominated to serve as President of the British Island of Montserrat in the West Indies. His next appointment was that of Lieutenant-Governor of St. Christopher in 1854, with which he held the dormant commission of Governor-in-Chief of the Leeward Islands. This was but a short-lived appointment; for the Colonial Office had decided to name him as Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Hongkong. Upon his return Home to receive his instructions and commissions prior to proceeding to the Far East, he was knighted by Queen Victoria.

The task which was expected of him to perform in Hongkong was by no means an easy one, and the newly appointed administrator himself felt considerable misgivings about his future career in that "most notorious of all places in the Empire—Hongkong." The sensational charges of Mr. Thomas Chisolm Anstey, who had been appointed Attorney-General of Hongkong had set the whole Foreign Office by its ears, and Sir Hercules was expressly charged at the time of his departure in the summer of 1859 "to make an enquiry into the various charges raised by Mr. Anstey, but cautioned, however, against stirring up again *all that mess of mud which appears to embarrass society in Hongkong.*" In fact, the situation in the Colony was such that the entire community was a "veritable hot-bed of strife, discontent, and sullen vituperation—sparing no one in its baleful thoroughness—from the Governor himself to the occupant of the most minor official post." We can readily imagine the concern of the Home Government when according to contemporary accounts "most of the officials then spent the great proportion of their time in pointing out what were obviously abuses and adding fuel to the already formidable tempest in the colonial tea-pot."

### Overhauled Administration

Sir Hercules Robinson arrived in the Colony on September 7, 1854, and was sworn into office with the customary ceremonial two days later. His first official act was to allay suspicion and regain public confidence. To accomplish this, he proceeded to give the local administration the most thorough overhauling which it had received up to that time, and in this difficult task he was ably assisted by the Attorney-General, Mr. William Henry Adams. The local press now came into his sphere of cleaning-up activities; for the reckless libels indulged in by a considerable percentage of the old-time editors had reputedly poisoned the very atmosphere of the Colony, and reduced the profession of journalism to nothing more than a reprehensible policy of vicious "mud-slinging and muck-raking." The first libel case which was heard in the administration of the newly appointed Governor, was that of Major William Caine, erstwhile Chief Magistrate *versus* Mr. William Tarrant, editor of the *Friend of China*. This case which locally was a *cause celebre* was heard on September 21, 1854, and resulted in Mr. Tarrant being adjudged guilty and accordingly sentenced to a term of twelve months' imprisonment and to pay a fine of £50.

The subsequent injustice in connection with this affair resulted in the Governor being subjected to considerable criticism, and was the only flaw in what was a most excellent administration. As a result, however, of the attacks of his critics Governor Robinson determined to amend the newspaper law, and accordingly ordered passed the famous Ordinance No. 16 of 1860, which by laying strict penalties on newspapers for allegedly unethical practices brought local journalism into line with that of England, and the local press immediately set upon achieving a standard comparable with that of any other in the Empire.

The remaining five years of Sir Hercules' administration saw the Colony advance by leaps and bounds. In fact, from a modern point of view, the scheme of progress was well-nigh phenomenal; for not only did Hongkong advance in wealth and population, but also the revenue was doubled without any increase whatsoever in taxation. The areas of the Colony had been extended by the inclusion of the Dependency of Kowloon, and this act alone is sufficient for posterity to name Sir Hercules Robinson as one of the greatest of colonial administrators. The tremendous energy displayed by Sir Hercules in securing wholesale reform was emulated by the community at large, which within the short space of half a decade forgot the quarrels which seethed so violently but such a short while before, and began to occupy itself with the intention of making Hongkong really a fit place in which to live. It seems incredible that many of the amenities of our present Colony owe their existance to the energy and vision of Governor Robinson, and a few of these may be instanced: the commencement of the Praya, the Public Gardens, gas and water works, the extension of the suburban areas, the inauguration of a system of higher education, etc.

Consequently, upon his departure for Home on March 15, 1865, the residents felt the greatest regrets; for he not only had succeeded in uniting the quarrelsome factions of the community, but had left as his most fitting memorial a Colony in which people were proud to live, and upon his death in the late 'seventies, Hongkong felt that it had lost more than an efficient administrator, but a well-loved friend as well.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty

*"For not tellin' your wife, I want an extra day off—for not tellin' your opponent, I want a $5 raise."*

Margaret Sullavan, Helen Hayes, Walter Huston, Ann Dvorak, Bette Davis, Leslie Howard, James Cagney, Alfred Lunt, Lynn Fontanne, Myrna Loy, Charles Laughton & Franchot Tone—

# WALKED OUT OF HOLLYWOOD

MARGARET Sullavan, one of the very best actresses on the American stage, was persuaded to go to Hollywood.

While she was working on her first film she came to the conclusion that Hollywood was completely crazy.

The film, "Only Yesterday," was a great success. The studio was jubilant, and the great, big, beaming boss said to Margaret, "I hope you are happier now and don't think Hollywood silly any more."

Margaret replied, "I'm afraid I do. I think it a silly place, and you are one of the silliest people in it."

They said Margaret was temperamental, but temperament does not begin to explain the number of famous actors and actresses who have walked out of Hollywood.

### Boredom & Heartaches

FRANCHOT TONE is the latest star to shake the golden dust from his feet.

He is tired of what he calls its boredom and heartaches, and he is going back to the stage for a fraction of the salary he has been getting in films, but for many times the happiness.

The case of Franchot Tone is fantastic.

For years cinemagoers have been pleading for the starring of this actor in important films selected to suit his personality, especially since his acting in "The Lives of a Bengal Lancer."

But, unlike the people who go to the pictures, the men who rule Hollywood have never seemed to take this excellent actor to their hearts.

There is something very wrong and very insolent with the machinery of film production when it fails to retain the services of great actors and actresses.

By general consent, Helen Hayes is the best actress on the American stage.

Yet, when she was last in London, she told me she was sick of the impossible parts she had been given in Hollywood, and she added that she was sick of Hollywood itself.

"It is like living in a shop window," she said "Everything you do is publicised and distorted. If you do nothing, they invent something."

That is one aspect of working in Hollywood which many players find intolerable. They are not permitted to have private lives.

All American stars who come to London are astounded to find that they can work in studios like Pinewood or Denham during the day and move about like ordinary human beings in the evening.

But more serious in its effect on the careers of stars is the factory system which compels those in Hollywood to appear in so many films every year regardless of whether or not the stories are suited to their style of acting, and regardless of the limit to the number of pictures in which it is physically possible for any one actor to appear in any one year.

When James Cagney became a best seller among film stars he was invited to work himself to death. He said no. He rebelled, and he walked out.

The red-haired, fighting Irish star staged one of the biggest and best rebellions in Hollywood.

That was very daring of him, since out there the producers have a ring, and if you quarrel with one you are employed by none. Producers are as "thick" as thieves.

James Cagney walked out six years ago because he wanted more money, and again four years later because he felt his career would end unless he made fewer films.

There are plenty more who have walked out.

Four years ago Walter Huston left Hollywood vowing he would never return except for parts he felt he could play.

He told me that the factory system of film-making is liable to kill any actor.

Myrna Loy quit working in "Escapade' after two days, and fled to London to say that it had taken Hollywood three years to realise she could play something other than an Eastern vamp.

The case of Bette Davis rebelling against the conditions of her employment in Hollywood and being refused permission to play in a British picture will be remembered by all filmgoers.

She had declined to play in two other films before she starred in "Jezebel."

Ann Dvorak walked out because she was under contract at £50 a week and objected to being loaned at £200, of which she was to get nothing.

Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontanne quit films after they had played in "The Guardsman."

Leslie Howard has told me that he has far more artistic freedom in London than in Hollywood.

Charles Laughton walked out from a brilliant career in Hollywood to return to London to star in British films.

Many famous British players refuse to go to Hollywood merely because they fear the factory method of film-making.

It is not altogether the fault of Hollywood, since pictures have to be turned out in quantity and on time to satisfy the appetite of the huge cinema machine. But the cinema machine, in turn, was the creation of those who created Hollywood.

The producers have been caught in a web of their own weaving. The cameras must grind on, and the stars, like puppets, must be drilled and dieted, miscast and overworked.

Very often I wish I could take the film-struck to a studio for just one day to see this business of film-making.

The star must be up at six. He must be made-up ready to go on the set by nine. For a whole day—which often extends far into the night—he must live under the glare of studio lights that sap all energy.

### Lines, Lines, Lines

NERVE-RACKING delays, endless repetition of lines after they have lost all meaning, and a thousand and one accidents and irritations all tend to drive film stars mad.

The wages are excellent and the glamour is very nice. But the salaries do not last and the glamour is all on the surface.

It was Sam Goldwyn in one of his wise-cracks who said that a verbal contract in the film world is not worth the paper it is written on, but it was Sir Patrick Hastings who said that a Hollywood film contract was slavery with a silver lining.

Franchot Tone is not the only one who has found that the silver lining does not make up for the slavery.

Seton Margrave

# Japan Warns Powers to Refrain From Action in Southern War Area

## *Chinese Must Not Be Allowed To Occupy Foreign Property*

TOKYO, Oct. 13.

PRINCE KONOYE, Premier of Japan, has despatched an official Note to foreign diplomats in Tokyo recalling Japan's difficulties in Shanghai and Kiukiang in protecting Third Power properties because the Chinese had constructed defensive works nearby.

He has therefore requested foreign governments to adequately and effectively endeavour to prevent the Chinese making similar moves in the present South China hostilities, and has urged foreigners to refrain from actions tending to indicate they are favouring the Chinese.

He has also appealed to foreign governments to refrain as far as possible from moving vessels, troops and aircraft within Chinese territorial waters between Swatow and Pakhoi.

It is requested that foreign governments should notify the Japanese ten days in advance when moving troops.

Prince Konoye has also requested Third Powers not to allow the Chinese to use their properties, and that foreign vessels should not approach Chinese military establishments. He has asked that Third Powers should provide aerial landmarks of foreign properties.

**It is stated that in the even of Chinese occupying foreign properties the Japanese must attack them, and it is suggested that foreigners leave the zone of hostilities in order to prevent unfortunate incidents.**

It is recalled that the Notes despatched on June 20 last designated the possible danger zones.—*United Press.*

### OFFICIAL NOTES RECALLED

Tokyo, Oct. 12.

The extension of the hostilities to South China just announced calls to mind the official notes addressed on June 20 of this year to the foreign diplomatic representatives in Tokyo.

These notes drew attention to the probable extension of the Sino-Japanese hostilities to that part of the Chinese territory south of the Yellow River and east of Sian, capital of Shensi Province, of Ichang, in Hupeh Province, Hengyang, in Hunan Province and Pakhoi, on the Tongking Gulf, and asked the foreign Powers concerned to take appropriate measures for the protection of the lives and property of their nationals resident in the stated areas.

The spokesman of the Foreign Office in this connection issued a statement that with the expansion of the Sino-Japanese incident there was grave danger that the hostilities would spread to that part of China south of the Yellow River and east of Ichang, Hengyang and Pakhoi, with the exception of the territory already under Japanese occupation, of the foreign Concessions and of foreign Leased Territory.

The statement said that prompted by the desire to minimize damage to lives and property of nationals of third Powers in the above-mentioned area as a sequel to the Sino-Japanese hostilities, the Japanese Government made certain requests.

Third Powers concerned were asked to instruct their respective nationals or caretakers of property belonging to them in the affected area, firstly, to advise foreigners and foreign vessels not to approach Chinese military establishments in the said area; secondly, to display clear marks on foreign property in the said area and promptly to communicate such markings to the Japanese authorities; thirdly, not to allow Chinese troops to utilize or approach such property as otherwise the Japanese forces would be compelled to attack such property, for the protection of which the Japanese forces could not assume responsibility.

The statement declared that the Japanese Government had no intention to impose its request on third Powers, but it was highly desirable for the prevention of unfortunate incidents that foreigners should withdraw to safety from the said area if possible.

### WASHINGTON VIEWS

Washington, Oct. 12.

Diplomatic and political observers believe that Japan's surprise invasion of South China is an endeavour to crush the conflict.

Britain is chiefly concerned because of her heavy investments in the vicinity. However, the United States attitude to the Orient situation will probably remain unchanged.

It is pointed out that Britain tied up many ships in Europe owing to the recent European crisis, but is expected now to send part of the fleet to Singapore and Hongkong as a gesture of firmness.—*United Press.*

### JAPANESE COMMUNIQUE

The following statement was issued yesterday by the spokesman of the Foreign Office, Tokyo.

"Operations just undertaken in South China by Imperial Japanese forces are purely military operations for the purpose of intercepting the principal route of arms and munitions supply to the Chinese forces and destroying important points of hostile machinations against Japan.

"The policy hitherto pursued by the Japanese Government of respecting the rights and interests of Third Powers remains unchanged.

"Although best efforts will therefore be exerted for the prevention of any damage to them in the present operations, it is earnestly hoped that Third Powers will understand the real intentions of Japan and extend co-operation to the efforts of the Japanese forces and thereby preclude the occurrence of any untoward incidents."

Lieut. Commander C. R. V. Pugh, R.N., helps his bride, daughter of Hongkong's Colonial Secretary, to cut the wedding cake after the ceremony at St. Andrew's Cathedral in Singapore this week (Story on Page 1.)

# Hongkong Newspapers Comment on Invasion

**THAT JAPAN'S INVASION in South China has long been expected is the general opinion expressed by the leading Chinese papers in Hongkong in their editorial comments on the Japanese landing at Bias Bay yesterday.**

The *Ta Kung Pao* points out that Japan's attack on Kwangtung has a dual purpose. On the one hand, she hopes to crush China by closing her present main outlet to the outside world and hence the stoppage of foreign supplies. On the other hand, she aims at ousting British interests and influence from China's south-west.

By dominating China and eliminating British influence, Japan hopes to realise her dream of hegemony in the Far East, the paper says.

The *Shun Pao* attributes Japan's South China adventure at this juncture when her drive on the Wuhan cities has met with repeated setbacks to the following reasons: Firstly, she attacks South China in order to cut the Canton-Kowloon Railway to stop the flow of foreign military supplies into the interior.

Secondly, Japan has learned from the recent Czech issue that Britain will not likely take a strong stand in the event of a South China invasion.

Thirdly, the Japanese navy which has hitherto been in a subordinate position to the Army in the present hostilities, wants to distinguish itself in a South China campaign.

Lastly, the Japanese militarists want to stimulate the war-sentiments of the Japanese people by a South China invasion.

The *Wah Kiu Yat Po* believes that the South China invasion is encouraged by the weak stand of the democratic nations in the recent Czech problem.

The paper also opines that the invasion aims at compelling the Chinese to recall the Cantonese soldiers fighting on the Yangtze front to defend their own province.

The *China Evening News* says that while Japan's South China operations are purported to divert the Chinese strength from the north, they have also a diplomatic significance in that they are intended for compelling a "certain country" to mediate in the hostilities.

This paper opines that in order to frustrate Japan's aims in China, the extension of the sphere of war from Shansi and the Yangtze to Kwangtung is not only necessary but also inevitable.—*Central News.*

### WASHINGTON COMMENT

Washington, Oct. 12.

Official naval commentators said to-day that the Japanese thrust in South China further demonstrates that the United States chief strategic interest is likely to continue in the Pacific, except as a base in the event of an outbreak of hostilities between the major European powers.

Meanwhile opinion is expressed in diplomatic and poutical circles that the Orient is again on the verge of being the chief trouble centre in the international picture, in view of the threatened clash of Japanese military acuvities and British trade interests in the Hongkong and Canton area. Naval authorities drew attention to this in connection with the problem of future United States and Philippines relations.—*United Press.*

### LONDON PAPERS COMMENT

London, Oct. 13.

This morning's London newspapers give prominence to the Japanese invasion at Bias Bay, prospects of which have been closely canvassed among Far Eastern circles, but hitherto little comment is available.

The *News-Chronicle* diplomatic correspondent, after stating that the invasion so often predicted seems to have come as a surprise to the Chinese, points out that the Cantonese are among the best fighters in China.

The correspondent is in doubt how much the Cantonese army and armaments have been sent to the Yangtse front, but he says that until they reach Weichow, the Japanese will be advancing over difficult territory, which could be held if there were adequate supplies of machine-guns, and a few well-trained men to fire them.

Military experts point out that there are two lines of hills after Bias Bay and an extensive tangle of rivers and creeks east of Canton, and they recall the estimate of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's German military advisers that the Japanese will need at least 100,000 men to capture Canton.

But in view of the enormous demands of the Hankow defence it is doubted what first-line troops and equipment are available for the defence of Canton.

It is learned that Germany, at Japan's request, has stopped supplying munitions to China, but recently contracted to supply her wth large quantities of railway material.—*Reuter.*

### LOCAL ESTATE

Local estate valued at $20,300 was left by the late Mrs. Maria Antonia de Souza Freire Corte Real, formerly of Shanghai, who died there on October 18, 1937.

Letters of administration, with the will annexed, have been granted to Mr. P. M. Hodgson.

# *Heir to Russian Tsar Dies in Paris*

PARIS, Oct. 12.

The Grand Duke Cyril, head of the House of Romanoff, who has been lying in a hospital in Paris suffering from a grangrene leg, died to-day. The Grand Duke is an uncle to the Duchess of Kent.—*Reuter Bulletin.*

A grandson of Emperor Alexander III and a cousin of ill-fated Czar Nicolas II, Grand Duke Cyril Wladimirovitch proclaimed himself chief of the house of Romanoff and "curator of the throne," from his Saint Brieuc cottage in exile in Brittany, July 22 1922, and on August 31, 1924, proclaimed himself successor to the long line of Romanoff Czars as "Emperor of all the Russias."

Famous for his tempestuous youth in St. Petersburg—the nightly orgies and feasts of Grand Dukes Cyril and Boris are still famous in the chronicles of pre-war gay life in Russia, Vienna, Berlin, Paris and other continental capitals—he was also famous for his participation in the Russian revolution, marching under a red flag at the head of his sailors in the streets of St. Petersburg, in 1917.

Born at Tzarskole-Selo, the Romanoff summer castle, on September 30, 1876, Cyril was the son of Grand Duke Wladimir Alexandrovitch and Grand Duchess Maria Pavlovna, who was the Duchess of Mecklembourg was of German origin. Grand Duke Wladimir was the son of Alexander III.

Cyril opted for a naval career and was graduated from the Russian naval academy in 1895 to make a world tour aboard the warship Russia. He was a Captain when the Russo-Japanese war started and was a staff officer on the battleship Petropavlovsk which was torpedoed in the ronds of Port Arthur in December 1904.

Cyril and his brother, Grand Duke Boris, swam in the icy waters until they were picked up by a torpedoboat, but 1,100 men of the crew were drowned as well as Admiral Makaroff and the celebrated painter Werestchaquine.

### MARRIED AGAINST CZAR'S WISHES

A few years later, Cyril's marriage against the desires of the Czar caused great commotion at court and set the Romanoffs in rival camps. After a wild youth, Cyril suddenly announced that he was going to marry Grand Duchess Victoria, a British princess by birth but the divorced wife of the Grand Duke of Hesse-Darmstadt, who was no other than the brother of Tsarina Alexandra Feodorovna, wife of Czar Nicolas II.

At the insistence of the Tsarina, Nicolas formally forbid the marriage, but Cyril disregarded the ruling of the chief of the family and married the woman of his choice. She was a sister of Queen Marie of Rumania, mother of the present King Carol. As a result of the marriage, Cyril and Nicolas were estranged and it was not until the start of the world war that the Czar finally forgave his cousin.

When forgiveness was granted, Cyril was named an Admiral and placed as Commander-in-Chief of the Imperial Maritime guard. This was a corps d'elite, destined to form the framework of the war fleet. He remained in that post throughout the war, until the Revolution.

Cyril never had made an effort to hide his liberal tendencies. In 1916, he sent a letter to the Czar warning him against the influence of Rasputin and insisting upon the necessity of reforms. There was no reply to the letter. Six months later, Rasputin was murdered; eight months later the Revolution broke out.

When a committee of the Douma proclaimed February 25, 1917, the collapse of absolutism, Cyril spontaneously led his regiment of the Guards to the Douma and with a wide red sash across his breast, he placed himself at the disposition of the new authority. After the fall of the Kerensky provisional revolutionary government, Cyril migrated and took refuge firstly in Koburg, then came to France and took a modest villa in the Brittany fishing port of Saint Brieuc.

After he had obtained proof of the murder of the Czar and his family, and after the death of Grand Duke Nicolas and other Romanoffs, Cyril in 1922 proclaimed himself Chief of the Romanoff house and curator of the throne. He waited two years longer before proclaiming himself Emperor. Not all the Russian legitimists followed him, however, and to them and to the famed Almanach Gotha, he remained Grand Duke Cyril.

His proclamation, however, was supported by the Young Russian (Mladorossy) party whose programme seeks to realize the welding of the Russian revolution and the monarchist idea. In emigree circles, Cyril was half-jokingly called the "Soviet Czar".

His wife, Grand Duchess Victoria, died in 1935. They had three children, Grand Duke Wladimir, born at Halko-Borego, Finland, August 17, 1917, who is now the Romanoff heir; Grand Duchess Kyra, born in Paris in 1909, and Grand Duchess Marie, born at Coburg in 1907, now married to Prince Charles of Leiningen.—*United Press.*

# Highlanders In Incident In Shanghai

Shanghai, Oct. 13.

Only a few days after their return from Hongkong, the Seaforth Highlanders were involved in the first incident with Japanese yesterday. This time a Chinese police constable, acting as mediator and interpreter came to the rescue of both parties.

An argument between Japanese and Seaforth sentries at the Garden Bridge arose, it is understood, over the regulation of traffic.

The Japanese stated that the Seaforths were hampering them in checking all vehicles entering Hongkew. Neither party could make the other understand what he was saying, with the result that there was some feeling and much gesticulating.

The Chinese constable, understanding English and Japanese, soon fixed up the qaurrel and smiles shortly replaced frowns as the difficulties melted away.—*Reuter.*

### NEW OPPORTUNITIES IN TERRITORIALS

London, Oct. 12.

The War Office to-day announted the details of a scheme for providing wider opportunities for territorial army officers to be trained for staff duties.

Fifty captains or senior lieutenants will be trained annually for staff appointments in the event of mobilisation.

As most officers in the territorial army are civilians, most of the training will be by correspondence course, but officers will spend a fortnight at the Staff College for practical work.—*Reuter.*

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**7.24 Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards.**

Coronation Processional Music (Selected from the Music in the Royal Procession, Coronation Day, May 12, 1937); The Changing Of The Guard—Ceremony....with words of command.

**7.40 Studio—Z.B.W. Orchestra.**

1. Three Dances (Cyril Scott): 1. Gavotte; 2. Eastern Dance; 3. English Dance; 2. Record: A Summer Night (Marzials and Goring Thomas....Doris Vane (Soprano) with Piano and 'Cello Obbligato; 3. Una Notte sul Volga (Russo).

8 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

**8.03 Studio—Z.B.W. Orchestra.**

4. Blumen Serenade (Leonardi); 5. Smoky Clouds (Ranzato); 6. "Die Csardasfurstin" (Kalman)—Selection.

**8.30 London Relay—"At The Black Dog."**

Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour. Presented by S. E. Reynolds and Pascoe Thornton.

**9 Cortot at the Piano.**

Ballade No. 2 In F Major, Op. 38 (Chopin); Ballade No. 3 In A Flat Major, Op. 47 (Chopin).

**9.15 London Relay—"World Affairs."**

A talk by H. Wickham Steed.

**9.30 London Relay—The News.**

**9.50 Songs by Miliza Korjus (Soprano).**

The Maidens Of Cadiz (Delibes); Serenade (Moszkowsky) ..Orchestra cond. by Bruno Seidler-Winkler.

**10 London Relay—"After The Tempest."**

A fantastic comedy by Geoffrey Trease; Characters: Lady Marten; Major Tony Manners; The Hon. Freddie Fitzrain; Prudence Marten; Nova; On a Pacific Island, some twenty years in the future, stands the hut shared by the two women of a small party of castaways, Lady Marten and her daughter Prudence; Production by Howard Rose.

**10.30 Dance Music.**

Quick-step—I Wasn't Lying When I Said 'I Love You'; Waltz—Oh, Mr. Man In The Moon....Henry Jacques with His Correct Dance Tempo Orchestra; Fox-Trots—A Fine Romance (from 'Swing Time'); The Way You Look To-night (from 'Swing Time')....Ambrose and His Orchestra with vocal chorus; Six-Eight—Andalusia; Comedy Waltz—I'm Popeye, The Sailorman (from 'Popeye, the Sailor')....Sydney Kyte and His Piccadilly Hotel Band with vocal chorus; Fox-Trots—Love Ain't Nothin' But The Blues....Frankie Trumbauer and His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain; Cherry....The Big Chocolate Dandies with Vocal Refrain; Waltz—One Kiss In A Million; Fox-Trot—Love, Please Stay..... Henry Jacques with His Correct Dance Tempo Orchestra.

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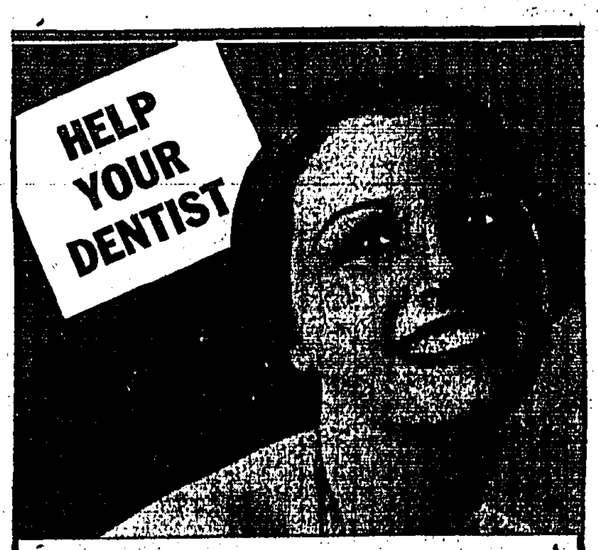


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# H. K. H. A. TAKES STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION

## TO RUN TOURNEY OF ITS OWN IN COMING SEASON

### ELEVEN TEAMS TO TAKE PART IN COMPETITION

(By "The Pilgrim")

**The most pleasing feature of local hockey this season is that the Hongkong Hockey Association, with the unanimous approval of all clubs concerned, has decided to run a tournament of its own, as suggested by me in the "Hongkong Telegraph" last season.**

The tournament commences on October 23 and takes the place of the Mamak and United Tournaments. It is open to the Services. Sergeant Mettam, R.E., late secretary of the United Hockey Clubs, is the new Tournament secretary and possesses a Committee of four to assist him.

If the tournament is properly organised—I am certain it will be—there is no reason at all why it should not be a success. It will probably provide the Association with an incentive to investigate the possibilities of acquiring a ground of its own—another consideration very vital to the game here.

Hockey has now become a very important sport in the Colony and has a very large following of active participants. I am glad, therefore, to see that the Association has taken a step in the right direction.

Eleven teams will participate in the Tournament. They are as follows:—C.B.A., Recrelo, Radio and Postal S.C., Queen's College, University, R.A.F., Nomads, R.A.O.C., K.I.T.C., Police "A" and Police "B".

The winning team will meet the Army and the Navy in a Triangular Tournament.

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Umpires Hockey Board.—K. Hussain (Secretary), A. E. P. Guest, Commdr. Bowerman and Lieut. Douglass.

Interport Selection Committee.—G. T. Palmer (Civilians), one Army and one Navy representative.

Tournament Sub-Committee.—Sgt. Mettam (Secretary), L. C. Pennell, D. Smith, A. E. P. Guest and G. E. R. Divett.

**The four girls who took part in the recent swimming meet between the Hongkong aquatic touring team and the Singapore Chinese Swimming Club. The Hongkong stars carried off most of the events. Left to right:—Miss Chan Woon-khing, Miss Lye Sou-luen, Miss Annie Yeo and Miss Chan Yuk-khing.**

## Saints to Make Bold Bid for Caer Clark Cup This Season

What I saw of the St. Andrew's Ladies at practice on their home ground last Saturday convinced me that the team is determined to make a bold bid for the Caer Clark Cup this season.

Mr. Fox, their coach, is rather optimistic with regard to the prospects of the team. I wish them well.

The team is fortunate in having the services of Miss P. Petigura, the well-known Shanghai Interporter and left-half. With Miss J. Wong, who is now having a rest after a bout of malaria, at centre-half, the Saints will possess one of the strongest intermediate lines in ladies' hockey this season.

Miss Marie Rozat, at centre-half, caught the eye. She should, I imagine, do well at right back in partnership with Miss Gertie White.

The newcomers, Miss T. Jex, Miss K. Ho, Miss M. Newman and Miss H. O'Sullivan gave of their best, but they have yet to hit the ball much harder if they hope to improve.

Of the old brigade, Miss F. Wong, attired in a very comfortable outfit, Miss Eva Churn, Miss Phyllis Gittins, Miss Y. Ho, Miss D. Drew, Miss Stella Roberts and Miss J. Hall seemed in ship-shape form for the strenuous season ahead.

The Saints are running one senior team this season, as their junior XI, composed of the D.G.S. girls, are in future turning out for the school. The Saints were runner-up in the League last year and their prospects this season are undoubtedly very bright indeed.

## Champions Not up To Last Year's Form

The Y.M.C.A. Ladies (present Caer Clark Cup champions) were also out on their ground for practice at King's Park last Saturday.

Many familiar faces were missing, and from what I hear, the champions won't be as formidable this season. Mrs. O. Burnett, Miss A. Fowler and Miss Marie Smith gave a very impressive display and will be called upon to form the backbone of the team once again this season. Miss I. Buchanan, Miss A. Ambrose and Mrs. Williams also did useful work; the last-named, who was a reserve in the Shanghai Interport XI, should secure her place in the 1st team with ease.

A recruit, Miss B. Harker, at inside-left, was the most brilliant player on view. She possesses a fine burst of speed and in her the "Y" Ladies have their one and only capture of the new season.

The champions will have to get down to serious team-building if they hope to retain the Cup. Like St. Andrew's the "Y" have only a handful of players to call upon and are only capable of fielding a senior XI.


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## Here And There With "Pilgrim"

THOUGH the Y.M.C.A. lost 4-1 to the Rajputana Rifles last Saturday, they were by no means disgraced. In young R. Kempton, they have a splendid right-half in the making. He intercepts and tackles well, but his feeding is poor at the moment. He would be well advised to flick the ball to his forwards and bear in mind that his right wing must be fed.

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T. DAWSON played a grand game at centre-half and he too would do well to keep his wing men in action. "Bunny" Austen, after his recent tour of the Straits, was in the pink; so much so that he made his presence felt when playing for the C.B.A. against the Royal Scots next morning. Kraus, as leader, had an off-day, but Rose and Bartlett were live-wires in the attack.

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IT was the first occasion I had of seeing Lieut. Indergit Singh in action for the Rajputana Rifles, and he proved himself a real opportunist. In him the Rifles have discovered a worthy successor to Lieut. Pritam Nath. I can't see many teams having the best of the Riflemen this season.

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LAST Sunday morning, the C.B.A. were quite at home on their rain-affected ground, and their 5-3 victory over the Royal Scots was a very creditable effort. Blake, on the left wing, was very fast, but to be effective he has yet to manipulate his stick correctly. He is a natural left-winger and should improve as the season progresses.

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ANOTHER useful youngster at inside right was Kannard, who has the inclination of hanging too far back instead of being well up with the attack. He too has speed and once he settles down should prove a great asset to the team.

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THE Royal Scots played a very aggressive type of game and in Paterson, Hitchcock and Meikle they possess a dangerous inside trio. More science would take them a long way in local hockey. The team is well-balanced without being brilliant, and should give a good account of themselves this season.

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ON the Marina ground on Sunday, the Nomads had a trouncing to the tune of 9-0 at the hands of the Kumaon Rifles. Fielding a rather weak team, the Nomads expected the beating, but though they lost badly they enjoyed the encounter immensely.

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THE umpiring in this match left much to be desired and the new rules were seldom enforced. The Kumaons' umpires, I am positive, were not aware of the latest rules and one glaring incident occurred when the Kumaons' goal-keeper was pulled up for obstruction and a penalty bully awarded. Instead of taking the bully himself as he was the offending player, the centre-forward took it and thereby prevented a goal being scored. The Nomads made no protest as it was just a friendly game, but such an important and common rule must always be adhered to and the umpire in particular should be informed.

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THE Kumaon Rifles, with such goal-scoring factors as Hayat Singh, Umed Singh and Kunwar Singh, were much too good for their opponents.

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I AM very much surprised to see the non-entries of the Hongkong Hockey Club and the Y.M.C.A. in the H.K.H.A. Tournament. This is the first time the Association has commenced such an adventure and the Club and "Y" could have at least given the Association their support for one season. Many clubs at present in the Tournament are very disappointed.

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THE twin sisters, M. and J. Booker, are, I believe, turning out for the C.B.A. ladies this season. Miss Iris Woolley, the C.B.A. captain, I am sure, is proud of her two captures.

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MR. K. Hussain, the popular secretary of the Umpires' Hockey Board, has again been elected to act in the same capacity this season. He certainly did his stuff in appointing umpires for the ladies' League last season and in addition he will have his hands full with the new H.K.H.A. Tournament. He will satisfy everybody, I feel sure.

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J. M. PINTO, the well-known K.I.T.C. player, is back again after a short holiday in Goa. He had a game or two when passing through Bombay, and is pleased to be back in the Colony in time for the hockey season.

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AWTAR SINGH, of the Radio and Postal Sports Club, has been newly elected captain of the team. Mohinder Singh is the vice-captain and M. H. Hassan hockey representative. They should do well for the Radiomen this year.


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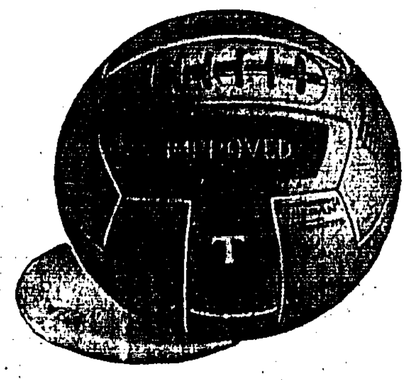

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### Boxer Tells Court Wife Beat Him

Chicago, Oct. 6.

Menrad Kraus, a professional boxer, petitioned the Superior Court for a divorce. He charged that his wife had beaten him, torn off his shirt and kicked him. — *United Press.*

## Hockey Club Trounces Royal Scots

(By "The Pilgrim")

Ten minutes after the start of their game at King's Park last evening against the Royal Scots, the Hongkong Hockey Club took the lead through V. Bond, who found the net with an excellent shot, Robb in goal being completely deceived.

Each team took the field with only ten men, but Meikle completed the Scots' side after the goal had been scored. J. Gosano was later called upon to fill the Club's right wing berth.

In the first half, the Scots, with Williamson, Allan and Fargus, took considerable time to settle down, but did not have much luck in front of goal.

In the second half, the Club maintained improved form and Divett added two further goals for his side, the first off a short corner hit and the second off a neat centre from V. Bond on the left wing.

The civilians were definitely on top, the soldiers finding it extremely difficult to penetrate a sound defence in which W. A. Reed, as pivot was the deciding factor. Full marks must also be accorded H. J. D. Lowe, N. Whitley and E. V. Reed for the excellent work which they did.

G. E. R. Divett shaped like a good leader, with T. Whitley and Bickford prominent as the inside men.

The Scots were far below their normal strength but their defence put up a stout resistance. The man of the side, however, was Sgt. Fraser, his constructive work at centre-half being clever. However, he seldom received support from his forwards. Archiebald and Marshall were also efficient defenders. Allan schemed cleverly at times, but apart from Fargus got little response from the rest of the attack.

The game was entertaining if not brilliant.

Rugby Notes

## *Club Should Be Able To Develop A Good Attack This Season*

### *Last Trial Game Held At Happy Valley Yesterday*

(By "Fly-Half")

**The rugger section of the Hongkong Football Club held their last practice trial at Happy Valley yesterday. In the course of the game, many players were tried at various positions.**

Owing to pressure of work, several members were absent, but nevertheless there was a good work-out. Amongst those who were away were Hynes and Munro.

Of those on view, Bidwell, Butcher, Redmond, Henderson and Cessford showed up to advantage. In the last quarter of an hour, a potential Club team over-ran the rest, the forwards, Watson, Carey, Bompas, Oliphant, Stark, Heath, Taylor and Richardson being far too good for the opposing pack.

The three's were given every opportunity and scored at their ease, with Bidwell, Berichart and Grieve to the fore.

It is predicted that there will not be many changes from the team fielded against the rest yesterday.

With McGrath at full-back and Chadwick and Thomas on the wing, the Club should have a very good attack. Luscomb, at scrum half, gave a very promising display.

At the line-out, Taylor, Stark and Stout were seen to advantage.

On Saturday, the season will open with the Club playing the Army and a Club "A" meeting a Navy XV.

The Club teams will be announced shortly. I hope to write something on the week-end games.

### RESULTS OF HOME RUGGER MATCHES

**London, Oct. 12.**

The following were the results of rugby matches played to-day:

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| Berkshire (at Reading) | 14 | Middlesex | 20 |
| Derbyshire | 0 | Durham | 11 |
| Devon (at Plymouth) | 0 | Police Union | 0 |
| Gloucestershire (at Cheltenham) | 10 | North Midlands | 8 |

—*Reuter.*

### LARRY MONTES TO VISIT JAPAN

Manila, Oct. 12.

Larry Montes, well-known Philippines golfer, has returned to Manila from Australia. In an interview, Montes said he would participate in the golf tournament at Tokyo shortly. He will pass through Hongkong and Shanghai on his way to Japan. —*Trans-Ocean.*

### CELTIC WIN HOME GAME EASILY

London, Oct. 12.

Celtic easily won their home match in the First Division of the Scottish Football League to-day against Queen O'South, scoring five times to their opponents' solitary tally.—*Reuter.*

## Malayan Rugby Visit To Hongkong Now Becomes Definite

**Singapore, Oct. 6.**

**It is now definite that a Malayan rugby side will tour Hongkong next February, and it is more than likely that a Shanghai team will be in Hongkong at the same time.**

The probability of a triangular contest is being discussed. Whether the visits will coincide or not is the problem, but it is understood that both teams will play there in February.

It is considered likely that both Malayan and Shanghai authorities will be asked to co-operate as far as possible with regard to the visit of their teams.

An Army rugby team also will visit Hongkong at the end of this month.

The All-Malayan team for Hongkong will also include Army players and it is possible that they will constitute the bulk of the touring side on account of the difficulty civilian players will have obtaining leave.

As Army players will have a sound idea of the strength and weakness of Hongkong rugby following their trip at the end of this month, the Malayan rugby team in February should be able to give a good account of themselves.

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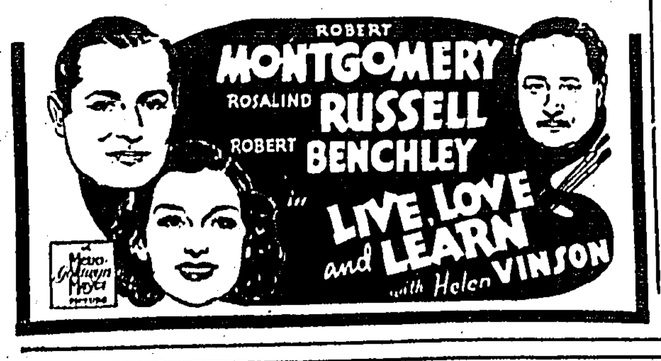



## GOVERNOR REVIEWS THE SITUATION

(Continued from Page 2.)

by the Urban Council recently. One made compulsory the pasteurisation of all milk sold to the public: this will come into effect on January 1 next.

"The other controlled the manufacture and sale of reconstituted milk and cream. The problem of how to deal with food-hawking, licensed and otherwise, is still to be solved. It is closely bound up with the very difficult problem of excessive population to which I have already alluded and may have to wait for solution until peace returns to China. But the fact must not be forgotten that the practice of food-hawking endangers public health and is a sign of backward administration.

**HOSPITALIZATION**

"It is, I believe, generally known that some months ago I appointed a committee to report on the whole hospitalization system of this Colony with recommendations for its improvement. I understand that it is making very thorough and wide investigations into its subject.

**REFUGEES AND DESTITUTES**

"A full statement having been made in this Council recently of the intentions of Government for the housing of the Colony's surplus population during the winter it is unnecessary to dwell on the subject on this occasion.

Three camps are now in course of erection. The capital cost entailed is $545,000: maintenance cost with the camps occupied to the full is put at approximately $1,000 per diem.

**COST OF LIVING**

"The rise in the cost of living, in respect of rents, food and, occasionally, firewood is somewhat disturbing. The measures taken to counteract the tendency o. the first of these have met with some success, though they have not, of course, solved the whole problem. A very considerable portion of the population is unable to find any accommodation whatever and, as I have just stated, the public purse is being put to heavy expenditure in order to house such persons during the winter. Food prices, it is reckoned, have risen to the extent that to subsist a labouring class family of four costs about 8 per cent. more to-day than was the case a year ago. The position is kept under close review in the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs.

**DEFENCE**

"Hon. Members will see considerable increases in the estimates under the Head, Defence. I do not think that these will be adjudged as premature or exceeding the needs of the case. In passing I make mention with pleasure of the greater part to be played in the Defence Corps by Chinese.

"It is a matter of regret to me that I am unable to provide for the new headquarters for the Volunteer Defence Corps, but their eventual siting depends upon the settlement of one or two wider questions which I hope can be brought to an issue of much advantage to the Colony.

"I have already mentioned that consideration is being given to the provision of a tug which would serve as a training-vessel for the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force.

"The big demands of the Air Raid Precautions Office must not, I fear, be regarded in any way as final; nor should it be assumed that they represent all that will be required even for the forthcoming year: as will be observed the greater part of the estimate is for "Mobilization Stores" at the round figure of a quarter of a million dollars.

**PASSPORT CONTROL**

"The rapidly increasing number of passengers landing at this port has for some time put a full passport examination service beyond the physical abilities of that section of the police force engaged in that duty. Such a service is a necessity at a port such as this and the estimates for next year contain a big increase of police personnel for that purpose. Opportunity has been taken of this expansion to transfer passport office work to the Police Department from the Colonial Secretariat.

**CRIME**

"From more than one source come disturbing statements that juvenile crime is on the increase. The Colony is not yet properly equipped to deal with young criminals: the Remand Home and the Industrial School do much valuable work: but they are, at best, expedients and it will, I fear, be necessary to provide a suitable institution in the near future.

**HEROIN**

"The increase in the use of this drug is highly deplorable. I am aware that persons of other races than Chinese bear a great guilt in this matter and I cannot express too strongly my detestation of their conduct. At the same time without local help they could do little harm to China and it is for the Chinese themselves to fight and win this battle. Every Chinese man or woman who takes any part in this nefarious industry is an enemy of his own nation and should be so regarded by every right-minded person. I hope that the time is soon coming when Chinese public opinion will range itself so forcibly against this man-killing industry and will put an end to it.

**PRISON DEVELOPMENT NEEDS**

"I have received from the recently arrived Commissioner of Prisons several suggestions for the re-organization of the local prison system, and these are under consideration. Their principal aims are (1) more efficient reformatory methods; (2) reduction by various means of the numbers confined in Stanley Prison. I hope that before long it may be possible to inform this Council of Major Willcocks' proposals in detail and that provision for some of them will be made in Select Committee.

**PROTECTION OF GIRLS**

"The legislation passed this year for the better protection of women and girls has, I trust, provided sufficient safeguards against their exploitation by the unscrupulous. When the pressure upon the Attorney General's Department becomes lighter —and there is little prospect of that in the visible future—it may be considered desirable to recast the existing law in this regard. But there is no urgent need for such action. Honourable Members will be glad to learn that the recent legislation is working effectively and smoothly.

**MOTOR TRAFFIC**

"I am informed that there are now 5,000 motor vehicles and 10,000 motor drivers in the Colony. As a not unnatural result there has been a serious increase in accidents connected with motor vehicles. In these circumstances it would be unwise further to defer the revision of our motor traffic legislation and the inclusion therein of provision for compulsory insurance against third party risks. This would have been done long ere this but that this Government has been for some years awaiting draft model legislation on the subject: there seems, however to be little prospect of its arrival in the near future and I have requested the Attorney General and the Commissioner of Police to confer with a view to the production of the necessary bills and regulations.

**PUBLIC WORKS EXTRAORDINARY**

Very full information on the Government's proposals for Public Works extraordinary expenditure has been placed in the hands of members this morning.

**"As the Honourable the Financial Secretary points out in his memorandum, next year's list contains a number of major works, to be financed from revenue, which form part of a five-year development programme and includes a new Government House.**

"I invite the attention of Honourable Members to a sessional paper laid this morning, which makes public full details of that programme.

**The intention is to begin next year investigative work in the Tai Lam Chung Valley, where another large storage reservoir is planned.**

This year's experience has shown how necessary it is, in order to keep pace with the constant increase of consumption, to add to our reserve supplies.

"It may be expected, therefore, if the investigations go well, that the 1940 estimates will contain provision for the commencement of large new works there. Meanwhile the completion of the catchwaters to supplement the supply running into the Shing Mun reservoir will be pressed on.

**HONGKONG TEAM AT BISLEY**

"I have been asked by Major Steers, who organized and captained the Colony's team at Bisley last July, to convey to Honourable Members a message of thanks for the financial help given by the Council. This alone enabled the team to appear: as is well-known, their shooting did them and the Colony great credit.

I now commend the business of the session to the earnest care of the Council.

**Chester Morris is shown in a scene from RKO Radio's "Smashing the Rackets," picturization about crime-busting. Morris and Frances Mercer head the cast. The picture opens at the Alhambra Theatre to-morrow.**

# OFFICIAL ACCOUNT OF FIGHTING

(Special to "Telegraph")

CANTON, Oct. 13.

THE "MINTSU DAILY NEWS," the Chinese army organ, reports an official eyewitness account of the Japanese landing at Bias Bay.

The report states that 700 Japanese troops first landed at Hachung under a barrage, while planes bombed the Chinese defences, and dropped flares directing the naval bombardment.

"We fought till dawn when it was found we had killed 300 Japanese troops and sunk ten of the landing launches. However, the Japanese troops continued to land, and we decided to change our tactics, and withdraw our advance posts, after which about 1,000 Japanese troops landed. Later larger numbers landed, whose flanks we attacked.

"Meanwhile additional warships and transports arrived and the Japanese troops advanced inland, fierce fighting ensuing. The situation is satisfactory so far."

Another Canton report states that it is officially acknowledged that fierce fighting is proceeding at Hachung, Autao and Pinghoi.

**Interviewed in Canton this morning, Mr. Wu Teh-chen, Governor of Kwangtung, was smiling and unruffled when he said: "Well, it seems it's come. We are determined they shall pay dearly for every inch taken."**

"Canton was alarmed at 6 o'clock this morning when 60 Japanese planes flew over, bombing the railways and highways, and especially watching troop movements, which are very heavy from Canton to Waichow and Cheungmuktau.

"It is noteworthy that the planes' bombing tactics have now changed, and they are concentrating purely on military objectives.

"The Lingnan University has suspended its classes and has advised women students to leave.

**"It is believed that H.M.S. Robin is escorting the Fatshan, carrying a large number of British evacuees, to Hongkong this morning.—*United Press.***


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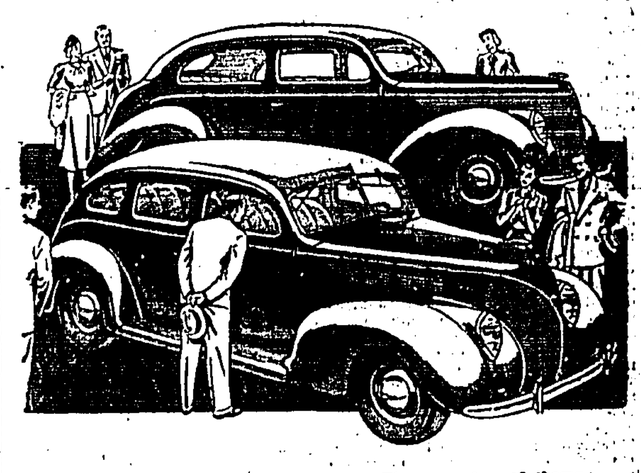

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# Yangtse Drive Continues

### Japanese Forces Reach Golden Lake

SHANGHAI, Oct. 12.

JAPANESE WARSHIPS, pushing steadily up the Yangtse River, have captured Sichaishan, twelve miles above Kichun, according to a *communique* issued to-day.

The spearhead of the Japanese river drive up China's inland Dardanelles is now within 53 miles of Hankow, the report indicates.

A landing was staged on the south bank of the river by Japanese Marines, in co-operation with land forces.

The Japanese were met with a hail of bullets from Chinese machine gun nests on the hilly banks of the river end, and before they reached their objectives, sustained heavy casualties.—*Domei*.

**CHINESE ADMIT LANDING**

Hankow, Oct. 12.

A Chinese *communique* admits that the Japanese troops have effected a landing at Weiyuankow, on the right bank of the Yangtse River twenty-two miles above Panpishan.

Weiyuankow is just below the outlet of the "Golden Lake" (Weiyuan Lake), on the north-eastern shore of which is located Tayeh. The *communique* states that the landing was followed by most severe fighting, which lasted throughout the day.—*United Press*.

**GATEWAY CAPTURED**

Nanking, Oct. 12.

The gateway to the Tayeh mine fields at the eastern end of Weiyuan Lake on the south bank of the Yangtse, was captured by the Japanese Army and Navy forces following a joint attack about 8 o'clock this morning, the Headquarters of the Japanese Expeditionary Force in Central China announced.—*Domei*.

**SINYANG'S FALL**

Sinyang, Oct. 11.

Although the Rising Sun flag has been hoisted atop the famous old Castle of Sinyang in the heart of the city, bitter street fighting between the Japanese and isolated groups of Chinese who have barricaded themselves inside many buildings is still in progress in several parts of the city.

The few remaining Chinese have chosen death as their ultimate fate, and, completely isolated from the outside world, appear determined to fight until their ammunition is completely exhausted.

The fall of Sinyang ends once and for all China's hopes of restoring communications along the strategically important Peiping-Hankow Railway, Hankow's lifeline along which flowed war materials from Soviet Russia.

The Japanese entry into Sinyang was preceded by a dynamite squad, which literally blew isolated Chinese operations away. Tanks followed the dynamiters, and on their heels came the regulars.

Sinyang is situated 135 miles north of Hankow and 187 miles south of Chengchow, junction of the Lunghai and Peiping-Hankow Railways. The city forms the north-eastern base of China's famous "Maginot Line" which encircles Hankow, and which was constructed under Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's five-year defence plan.

Since ancient times the city has been regarded as the first important stronghold in the drive on the Wuhan areas from the north.

Under ordinary circumstances the population of Sinyang is 30,000. When the Japanese entered only a few hundred Chinese remained to silently watch them.—Domei.

**FIGHTING AROUND SINYANG**

Hankow, Oct. 12.

With the Japanese forces claiming the capture of Sinyang, an important point on the Peiping-Hankow railway, about 100 miles north of Hankow at an early hour this morning, Chinese reports state that fighting is proceeding north, east and south of city.

Japanese detachments, it is admitted, reached Snakwanmiao and Changtaikwan, which are also situated on the Peiping-Hankow railway immediately north of Sinyang.

Fighting, reports add, is also proceeding on the highway east of Sinyang at Liuling station, situated south of Sinyang.

Japanese forces on the south bank of the Yangtse, south-west of Yanghsin are continuing their attack on Chinese positions on the north bank of the Fu River, in the vicinity of Sochow, it is stated.—Reuter.

**CHINESE NEW DRIVE**

Hankow, Oct. 12.

Chinese forces at Tehan are reported to have launched a counter-offensive against the Japanese, and are reported to be converging on Tehan.

Chinese official despatches claim the recapture of Mahweiling by Chinese forces, in addition to the hills around Yaikou.

The Japanese at Joshi are said to be pushing eastwards in an attempt to reach Japanese detachments said to be surrounded in two hills 10 miles west of Tehan.—*Reuter*.

**SINYANG FIGHTING**

Hankow, Oct. 13.

A Chinese military *communique* issued this morning states: "Fighting is going on on the outskirts of Sinyang."

Peiping-Hankow railway circles report that Liulin Station, south of Sinyang, was recaptured by Chinese troops at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and also that Chinese troops are at present launching a counter-offensive against the Japanese in the vicinity of Sinyang. One Chinese column is attempting to attack the rear of the Japanese troops, east of Sinyang.

The general opinion, however, is that it is more likely the Chinese forces will withdraw into the mountains west of the Peiping-Hankow railway, where the Chinese erected a strong defence line months ago when the Japanese were pushing towards Chengchow along the Lunghai Railway, following the fall of Hsuchowfu.

The Japanese forces at midnight yesterday landed at Weiyuankou on the south bank of the Yangtse below Huangshihkang, but they were repulsed by Chinese troops. The Japanese made another attempt to land later at dawn, according to a Chinese military *communique*. One large Japanese transport loaded with ammunition yesterday afternoon steamed up the river in the vicinity of Meikeng, near Tatung. Chinese batteries on shore opened fire, scoring two direct hits, resulting in an explosion, after which the Japanese transport immediately sank.

The air raid alarm sounded twice in Hankow yesterday, but no Japanese planes appeared. The Japanese, it was learned, carried out bombing operations on the Canton-Hankow railway in the vicinity of Hoshengchiao, south of Hankow.—*Reuter*.

# HEAVY CHINESE REINFORCEMENTS POUR SOUTHWARDS

## British Women, Children Evacuated From Canton, Arrive To-day

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**BITTER FIGHTING IS IN PROGRESS IN THE PINGSHAN-NIMSHAN AND PAKWAN-TAMSHUI AREAS IN THE BIAS BAY HINTERLAND, ACCORDING TO REPORTS REACHING HONGKONG THIS MORNING.**

**Heavy Chinese reinforcements which are being rushed to the district from the entire East River area are threatening to inundate the entire Japanese Expeditionary Force by sheer weight of numbers.**

**From Canton it is reported that a constant procession of commandeered motor lorries and buses, filled with troops, are choking the highway leading to Waichow, which is believed to be one of the Japanese objectives.**

Waichow is connected to Canton in the north and Bias Bay in the south by an excellent highway which leads directly to Fanwokong, one of the townships in which Japanese landings have been effected.

From Hachung and Ngamtsin, where the principal Japanese landings are believed to have been made, the Japanese appear to be pushing inland through Weiyeung Valley to Tamshui, ten miles from the coast.

**From Tamshui the Japanese can strike across comparatively flat country to the Canton-Hankow Railway at a point about 15 miles on the Hongkong side of Cheungmuktau and about 30 miles from the Hongkong frontier. The distance from Tamshui to the railway is about 25 miles.**

It is now apparent that the Japanese landing at Taipung, in Taipung Harbour, was only a feint to draw the Chinese defenders away from Hachung.

**75 SHIPS IN BAY**

After engaging the Chinese forces in Taipung for about 2½ hours, the Japanese suddenly withdrew to their boats.

It is officially confirmed that a total of 75 ships, including 15 warships, are in Bias Bay.

Considerable activity was noticeable throughout yesterday and last night as the Japanese feverishly landed supplies, artillery pieces and munitions, indicating that they expect the campaign to be a long and arduous one.

Over 30,000 troops landed yesterday, and it is believed that another considerable number landed last night.

Bias Bay was alight all night with the gleam of searchlights, which were quite visible in British territory at Shataukok.

The sound of gunfire, audible at Shataukok at dawn yesterday, has not recurred.

**CHINESE CENSORSHIP**

**Only vague reports are being received in Hongkong from the Chinese side.**

**A strict censorship exists throughout Kwangtung and foreign newspaper correspondents in Canton have been warned against sending reports.**

Some Chinese officials in Canton issued a statement last night, denying that a Japanese landing had been attempted or effected in Bias Bay!

It is understood that the 151st Division of the Kwangtung Army was manning the Bias Bay defences when the Japanese landing was made.

The Division sustained heavy casualties when it made a stand against the Japanese five miles inland from the coast.

Reports at present indicate that the Japanese have made comparatively little headway, and it appears that they are consolidating their landing positions before seriously attempting to drive further inland.

Vigorous fighting is progressing at Aotow, about twelve miles southwest of Hachung, and telephonic communication with this town has now ceased.

**FURIOUS FIGHTING CONTINUES**

Canton, Oct. 13.

Chinese regular troops assisted by well-trained armed militia corps are staunchly resisting further Japanese landings at Aotow, Hachung, Nimshan and other points in Bias Bay.

Reports of Japanese preliminary landing emanating from Japanese sources appear to have been exaggerated. Allegations that the landing yesterday met no opposition were categorically denied in Chinese official circles.

According to reports from reliable sources, the landing of about 200 blue-jackets in over 20 lighters at Hachung at 4.30 a.m. was repulsed by Chinese troops and militiamen after about one hour's fighting. The landing operations were preceded by a terrific naval bombardment. Many casualties were suffered.

Later the Japanese brought their planes into operation, when a fierce aerial bombing complemented the terrific naval shelling. Under the heavy bombardment more than 1,000 Japanese in scores of boats attempted to land at Pingshan, Nimshan, Sinkweishan, and Tungchung in Bias Bay, whilst the Japanese who were repelled at Hachung effected a second landing there. Furious fighting broke out at all these points.

At Aotow where the Japanese tried to land in over 40 warships, transports and vessels of other descriptions under a naval barrage the Chinese also offered stout resistance. The Chinese defence works there are understood to be very strong. Chinese shore batteries effectively retaliated for the Japanese shelling.

According to an arrival from Hachung, the Japanese made their landing at Hachung under the dim moonlight early yesterday morning after a fierce bombardment from their warships in Bias Bay. The alarm was immediately raised by Chinese sentries guarding the coast. Chinese garrison and militiamen from various neighbouring villages rushed to the scene. Heavy Chinese machine-gun and rifle fire checked the Japanese who had landed at the seashore and prevented others who were attempting to land in lighters from approaching the shore.

After furious fighting, the Japanese were all repulsed. Several Japanese lighters were sunk by Chinese fire.

Not long after a squadron of more than ten Japanese planes flew ashore and heavily bombed the villages. A second landing was then successfully attempted.—*Central News*.

# FLANDIN VISITS MILAN, ROME

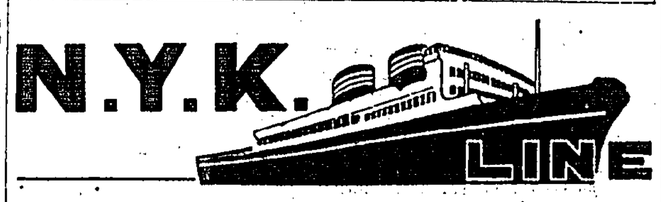
Rome, Oct. 12.

The French ex-Premier, M. Pierre Flandin, whose advocacy of a rapprochment with Germany culminated in his telegraphing congratulations to Herr Hitler on the Munich agreement, is now visiting Italy.

He left Milan to-day for Florence, and it is believed that he will later visit Rome.

M. Flandin has recently been pursuing an active anti-war policy, supporting Germany's viewpoint regarding Czecho-Slovakia.

Following his telegram to Herr Hitler, two leading members of M. Flandin's political party, the Alliance Democratique, resigned in protest.—*Reuter*.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# E. AFRICAN COLONY SUSPECTS GERMANY

LONDON, Oct. 12.

Strong opposition is being launched to the retrocession of Tanganyika to Germany as the outcome of any Anglo-German negotiations on the question of the granting of colonies.

The executive council of the joint East Africa Board, which represents British East Africa interests, met in London to-day and discussed the rumours and the representations received from East Africa.

Attention was drawn to the grave economic consequences which would ensue from such a cession, and the incalculable disabilities which European, Indian and native inhabitants would suffer by the transfer.

The Board decided to co-operate in the organisation of an influential body which would educate and mobilise opinion in opposition to the proposal mentioned.—*Reuter*.

# Mass Terror In Air Raids

Canton, Oct. 13.

The Japanese mass air raid over Kwangtung yesterday, staged by 104 bombers, centred on the three railroads, namely, the Canton-Kowloon, Canon-Hankow and Canton-Samshui Railways.

Over 70 bombs, it is now ascertained, were rained over Suntong, Tongtowha, Wanglik and Shektan stations on the Canton-Kowloon line.

Along the Canton-Hankow Railway, 11 bombs were dropped at a bridge between Kuntien and Loktung, damaging several sleepers. Lokchong station and its vicinity received over 20 missiles.

Eight explosives were dumped at the Fatshan station on the Canton-Samshui Railway. The track was slightly damaged.

The raiders also dropped several missiles on the Tsengshing-Waiyeung highway, which killed two civilians and wounded six.

Two persons were killed when a bomb landed on a highway at Fatshan. At the railway station near Swatow, the Japanese aircraft dumped four missiles, wounding a boy.

In order to support their land drive, the Japanese machines rained over 200 bombs at Aotow, where the Japanese forced a landing yesterday morning.

Waiyeung, north of Aotow was also heavily bombed.—*Central News*.

# Rail Service Disrupted

The railway service between Kowloon and Canton has been completely severed as a result of yesterday's air raids.

The trains which left the two cities yesterday had to return to their stations and from this end, the service was limited outwards to Shumchun.

As far as shipping between the two cities is concerned, no curtailments of the usual runs has been effected.

The Sai On, of the Tung On Steamship Company and the Fatshan of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamship Company, are both due to arrive here from Canton about 3 p.m. to-day, the latter bringing women and children evacuees from Canton and Shameen.

# CARDINAL ATTACKED

Vienna, Oct. 12.

A sharp attack on Cardinal Innitzer is made in the Vienna daily newspaper, the *Wiener Neuestenachrichten*, mouthpiece of Herr Buerckel, Nazi Commissioner.

The newspaper observes: "Cardinal Innitzer has dared to attack Herr Hitler, organise ridiculous demonstrations, and provoke the population. This proves the Vatican's efforts to maintain the conflict.

"The reaction of the population against Cardinal Innitzer's provocation is self-explanatory. The Cardinal's methods will be stopped."—*Reuter*.

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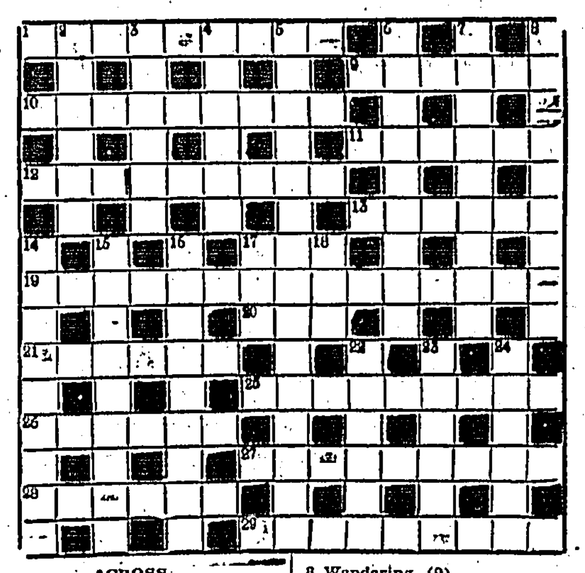

**ACROSS**

1 Apparently a fowler has made a good shot to get material for a powder puff perhaps (9).
9 Little village made famous by Shakespeare (6).
10 This branch of scientific study has its attractions (9).
11 A Frenchman (6).
12 Would these sailors be doubly useful on a cattle boat? (9).
13 E. Coast resort bigger than one foreign capital (6).
17 A little food to appease (3).
19 Forecast (15).
20 Part of the crofter's stock in the Western Highlands (3).
21 Public School (6).
25 He takes an interest in any old thing (9).
26 Wherein fish are caught (6).
27 These methods increase production (9).
28 An unwelcome visitor to our shores though partly of royal origin (6).
29 "A stout try" (anag.) (9).

**DOWN**

2 People often break the law to get this (6).
3 French town (6).
5 Saw that should prove economical (four words—3, 3, 4, 3).
6 This nymph of old is now a venomous serpent (9).
7 A son of Edward III, was distinguished for this crime (9).
8 Wandering (9).
14 An efficacious worker (9).
15 Checks as direction to Rugger players (9).
16 A bottom fish apparently, anyhow of no importance (9).
17 Direction obtained from compasses (3).
18 Edible coin (3).
22 There were wise men in the East but is their superior occidental? (6).
23 Start, yet might announce the end of the game of tennis (6).
24 Found in cars and golf-bags (6).

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# Terrorists Spread Death In Palestine

Jerusalem, Oct. 12.

Five Arabs were shot dead and three wounded as a result of terrorist outrages during the past 24 hours.

Sir Harold MacMichael, the High Commissioner, left London this evening for Southampton, from where he will fly to Jerusalem to-morrow.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Secretary of State for the Colonies, was present at Waterloo Station to see Sir Harold MacMichael off.

A Colonial Office statement says that Mr. MacDonald and Sir Harold MacMichael completed a thorough examination of the political situation in Palestine, and gave a preliminary receipt to the Woodhead Commission's report, which expected to be ready in the course of this month.—*Reuter*.

NEWS OF THE DAY IN PICTURES FROM FAR AND NEAR

# Hongkong Telegraph PHOTONEWS

HAPPENINGS AS SEEN BY THE CAMERA'S EYE

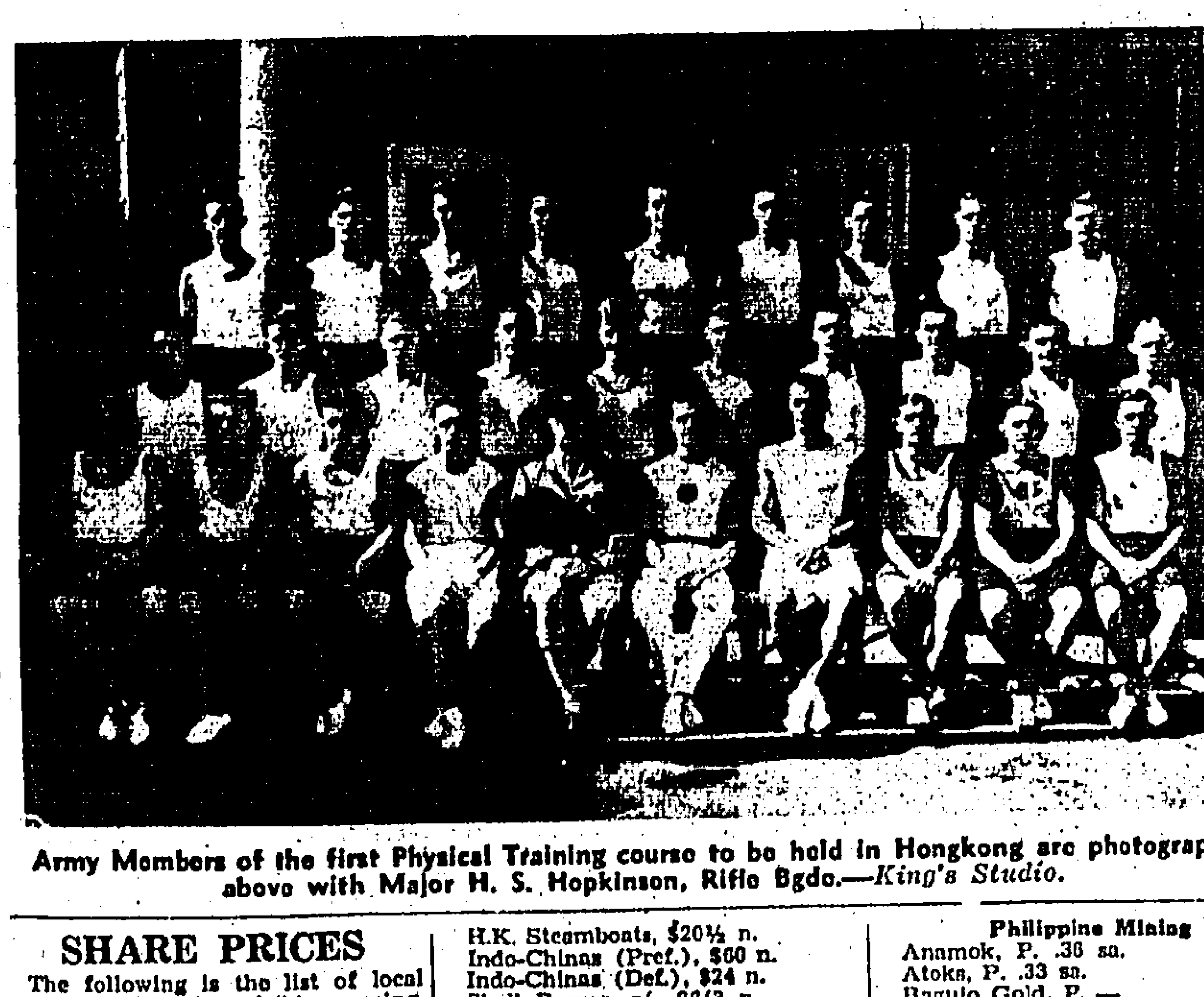
## Brilliant Military Wedding

**Military circles in the Colony were well represented at the brilliant wedding of Captain H. C. Harland, of the 2nd Battalion, The Royal Scots, and Miss Rachel O. Hanbury, which was solemnised at St. John's Cathedral on Tuesday afternoon.**

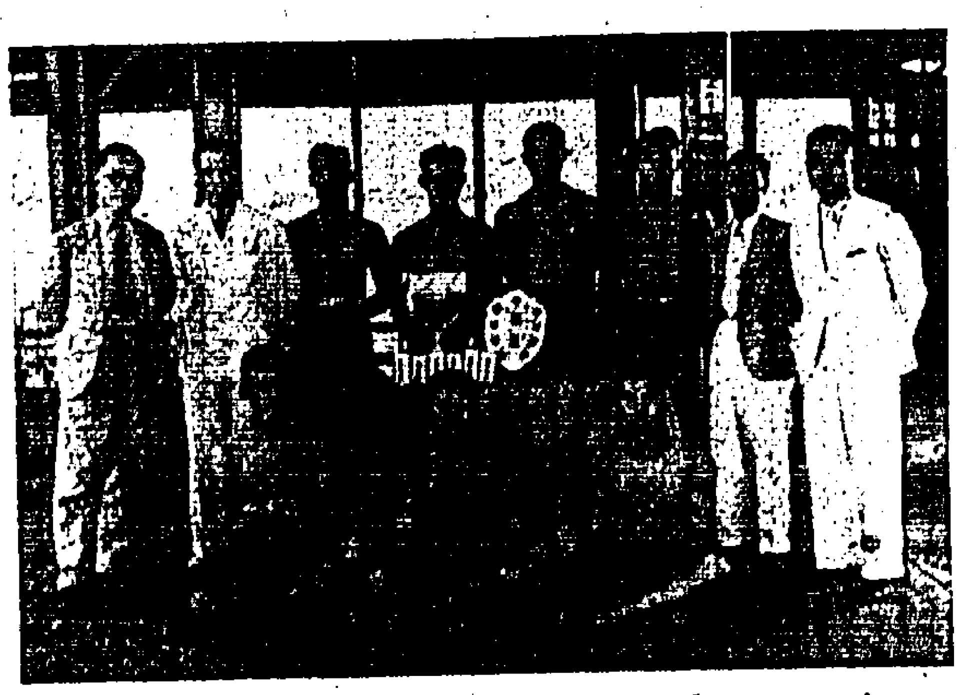
**Opposite: The wedding party photographed at the reception.**

**Lower Left: The bride cuts the wedding cake whilst a bridesmaid watches with interest.**

**Lower Right: The bridesmaids, the Misses Northcote and Susan Alley, pose for a photograph whilst waiting for the bride's arrival at the Cathedral. —** *Photos by Ming Yuen.*



**Army Members of the first Physical Training course to be held in Hongkong are photographed above with Major H. S. Hopkinson, Rifle Bgde.—***King's Studio.*



**The Chinese Athletic Association water-polo team, winners of the Pak Ling Cup for 1938.—***King's Studio.*

## SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning.

**Banks**
H.K. Bank, $1,455 s.
H.K. Bank (Lon. Reg.), $87 n.
Chartered Bank, £10¼ n.
Mercantile Bank, A. & B. £29 n.
Mercantile Bank, C., £13½ n.
East Asia Bank, $88 n.

**Insurances**
Canton Ins., $225 n.
Union Ins., $815 n.
China Underwriters, $2 n.
H.K. Fire Ins., $200 n.

**Shipping**
Douglas, $88¾ n.
H.K. Steamboats, $20½ n.
Indo-Chinas (Pref.), $60 n.
Indo-Chinas (Def.), $24 n.
Shell Bearer, s/- 80/3 n.
Union Waterboats, $9 b.

**Docks Etc.**
H.K. & K. Wharves, $126 n.
H.K. Docks (old), $19½ n.
H.K. Docks (new), $19 n.
Providents (old), $7 n.
Providents (new), $6.85 n.
New Engineering Sh. $3.90 n.
Shanghai Docks, Sh. $126 n.
Kailan Mining Adm., s/- 17/6 n.
Raubs, $9.70 n.
Venz: Goldfield, $3 n.
Hongkong Mines, 7½ cts. n.

**Philippine Mining**
Anamok, P. .36 sa.
Atoks, P. .33 sa.
Baguio Gold, P. —
Benguet Consol., P. 11.60 sa.
Benguet Explor., —
Coco Grove, P. .43½ sa.
Big Wedge, P. —
Consolidated Mines, P. .0035 sa.
Demonstrations, P. —
E. Mindanao, P. —
Gumaus G'fields, P. —
Ipo Gold, P. —
I.X.L., P. —
Itogons, P. —
Min. Resources, P. —
Paracale Gumaus, P. .12 sa.
Salacot Mining, P. —
San Mauricio, P. .78 sa.
Suyoc Consol., P. .18½ sa.
United Paracales, P. 30½ sa.

**Lands, Hotels, etc.**
H. and S. Hotels, $6.90 s.
H.K. Lands, $38¼ s.
H.K. Lands, 4% Deben $107½ n.
Shanghai Lands, Sh. $7.60 n.
Metropolitan Lands, Sh. —
Humphries $9.60 n.
H.K. Realities, $5.80 n.
Chinese Estates, $98 n.

**Public Utilities**
H.K. Tramways, $17 n.
Peak Trams (old), $6¾ b.
Peak Trams (new), $3¼ n.
Star Ferries, $77 n.
Yaumati Ferries (old), $24¼ n.
Yaumati Ferries rights, $23½ n.
China Light (old), $11.15 n.
China Light (new), $10¾ n.
H.K. Electrics, $59¼ /0 sa.
Macao Electric, $17½ n.
Sandakan Lights, $10 b.
Telephone (old), $26 n.
Telephone (new), $9 n.
China Buses, Sh. —
Singapore Tractions, s/- 25/- n.
Singapore Pref., s/- 26/3 n.

**Industrial**
Cald: Macg. (ord.), Sh. $14 n.
Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh. $13 n.
Canton Ices, $1.70 n.
Cements, $17.20 n.
H.K. Ropes, $4.05 n.

**Stores, &c.**
Dairy Farms, $26 n.
Watsons, $8.20 n.
Lane Crawfords, $8¼ n.
Sinceres, $2 n.
Wing On (H.K.), $47½ n.
William Powell, Ltd., 90 cts. n.

**Cotton Mills**
Ewo Cotton, Sh. $18.70 n.
S'hai Cotton (old), Sh. $86 n.
Zoong Sings, Sh. $24 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. $42 n.

**Miscellaneous**
H.K. Entertainments, $6¼ n.
Constructions, $1¾ n.
Vibro Piling, $6.85 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G$ Bonds., 72½% prm. n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 6¼% prm. n.
H.K. Govt. 3½% Loan par b.
Wallace Harpers, —
Marsmans (Lon.), s/- 16/3 sa.
Marsmans (H.K.), s/- 3/4 n.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Hongkong, 29th June, 1938.


## VISITING COLONY

On Monday, the Very Rev. Bro. Romuald Hosea, Assistant Superior-General of the Brothers of the Christian Schools, was guest of honour at a short concert and welcome at St. Joseph's College.

He is on his five-yearly inspection tour of all the Brothers' schools throughout the world. Having visited the establishments of his Order in Canada, Japan and Manchuria, he arrived in the Colony a few days ago and will shortly proceed to the Philippines, Malaya and Burma.


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| CANTON | 15,500 | 10th Dec. | Bombay, M'seilles & London. |
| CORFU | 14,500 | 24th Dec. | Bombay, M'seilles & London. |
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| CANTON | 15,500 | 11th Nov. | Shanghai & Japan. |
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# BRITISH REFUGEES DUE TO-DAY

## Women, Children Arrive By Steamer Fatshan

Canton, Oct. 13.

ALMOST THE ENTIRE foreign populace turned out *en masse* to bid farewell to women and children leaving Canton by the river steamer, Fatshan, at 8 o'clock this morning.

Although the air raid alarm again sounded at 6.15 a.m. there was very little evidence of anxiety at the wharf side, where the whole scene was reminiscent of a holiday atmosphere, and cheerful Goodbyes seemed to be the order of the day.

Meanwhile the Chinese populace is gradually beginning to realise the imminent threat to the city following yesterday's landing, and crowds are beginning to collect at the creekside in the Shameen vicinity, anticipating further air raids to-day.

Nevertheless, there continues to be an entire absence of panic.—*Reuter.*

# STOP PRESS

## More Japanese Landing

According to an official military *communique* issued in Canton the number of Japanese landed in Bias Bay has been considerably increased to-day.

The Chinese forces guarding the coast are withdrawing into new positions inland beyond the range of the Japanese naval guns.

## FALL IN H.K. EXCHANGE

The Hongkong Exchange Market weakened to-day as a result of nervousness due to the invasion of South China. For the first time for several months the official rate fell from 1s. 2⅞d, the quotation to-day being 1s. 2$\frac{13}{16}$d. The American dollar was quoted at 29¼, as compared with yesterday's rate of 29⅝.

The inter-bank rate to-day was 1s. 2⅞d both for spot and three months forward, which is a fall of ⅛th from yesterday's quotation. American dollars were quoted at 29$\frac{5}{16}$ for spot and 29¼ for two months forward, as compared with 29⅝ yesterday.

## Closing River To-night

Canton, Oct. 13.

It is understood that the Chinese authorities are issuing a proclamation closing the Pearl River above Bocca Tigris to all shipping as from 7 p.m. to-night. This means, probably, that channels will be blocked either to-night or early to-morrow morning under cover of darkness.

One hundred and twenty-five Japanese planes raided Kwangtung during this morning and this afternoon, but the city was left alone.

Chinese reports claim that one Japanese plane was shot down on the Waichow Cheungmuktou highway and the machine is a total wreck. Both pilots were killed.—*Reuter.*

THE CZECH CRISIS

# Breakdown Fears Gaining Ground

KOMAROM, Oct. 12.

**ALARM IS GROWING in Hungarian circles at indications that the Czech attitude regarding the delimitation of the Czech-Hungarian frontier is stiffening.**

Delegates to the Komarom conference re-assembled at noon to-day after hurried trips to and fro, presumably for the purpose of consultations with the respective governments.

It is learned that the Hungarian Foreign Minister, M. Kalman Kanya, has threatened to sever negotiations with Czecho-Slovakia owing to the unsatisfactory counter-proposals made by the latter.

It is understood that the Czechs agree to grant autonomy to the Hungarian minorities but will not cede territory beyond that already occupied.

The Hungarian Regent, Admiral Horthy, conferred until the early hours of this morning with the Foreign Minister.

**It is indicated that the Hungarians have agreed to remain adamant that the Hungarian demands must be met by Czecho-Slovakia.**—*United Press.*

FIFTH ZONE BOUNDARY

London, Oct. 12.

The official map approved by the Ambassadors' Commission in Berlin which has been received in London, reveals that the new boundary of the fifth zone in Czecho-Slovakia comprises an area roughly equal to the Godesberg demands.

Only in a few cases, however, do the new lines coincide with the Godesberg lines, the variations being from five to ten miles either way throughout.

The main German gain is north of Prague, where the new line is from 10 to 15 miles further south than the original demands, bringing the German frontier within 25 miles of Prague.

On the other hand, the situation has eased around Pilsen, where the boundary will not now enter the actual town. Similar change favouring the Czechs are made all along the south and south-west frontier.

Another German gain is west of Maerisch-Ostrau, where the approved line passes through a large area where a plebiscite was originally demanded. The boundary does not, however, come within five miles of the town.

It is thought that the question of plebiscites will be decided by direct negotiations between the Germans and Czechs, the general impression being that plebiscites will be waived if possible. The map also shows areas in which plebiscites might be held.—*Reuter.*

POLISH C. IN C. ARRIVES

Warsaw, Oct. 12.

General Rydz-Smidly, Commander-in-Chief of the Polish Army, arrived in the Teschen area, ceded by Czecho-Slovakia to Poland, to-day, and was given an enthusiastic reception by the population.—*Reuter Bulletin.*

WEAK BRITAIN DANGER TO PEACE

London, Oct. 12.

"We believe that a weak Britain, either in policy or armaments, is the greatest danger to European peace at the present moment.

"That is why I resigned in February. I have never altered my feeling, and I do not alter it now", declared Viscount Cranborne, former Foreign Under-Secretary, speaking at Weymouth to-day.

Dealing with the future policy of the country, Viscount Cranborne declared: "It is a very simple thing. Re-arm! Re-arm! Re-arm! I believe that is the Government's policy. I hope it is, and it will have my fullest support. If we throw our whole energies into re-armament I do not despair for peace."

He added that the Government was clearly in the right in reaching a settlement at Munich in view of the alternatives put before them, but the peace secured was one of which no man could be proud.—*Reuter.*

BRITAIN IS READY

London, Oct. 12.

"We are ready to defend British interests, British liberties and British territory against any invader, or any aggressor," declared Sir Thomas Inskip, Minister for Co-ordination speaking at Gravesend to-day amid roars of cheers.

Sir Thomas said he believed that Britain had, at last, got on the road to friendly Anglo-German relations. Nobody in the Government believed peace could be achieved by a single stroke of the pen.

"There must be jolts and jars to the chariot of peace, but if we can pursue the road with good tempers, we might at last arrive at journey's end," he declared.

"The influence of peace is infectious, and there is, in all parts of the world, a willingness to agree to a policy of mediation, which three months ago would have seemed impossible."—*Reuter.*

"WAR PARTY" IN EUROPE

Rome, Oct. 12.

The allegation that "there exists in Europe a war party organised against Italy and Germany" is contained in an article by Signor Gayda who comments to-day on the Italian authorities' approval of Herr Hitler's speech at Saarbrucken.

Gayda asserts that headquarters of the war party exist in Paris under the influence of Moscow. The article goes on: "It has obvious ramifications, although more restrictly, in Britain."

Declaring that the war party fancies itself capable of overcoming Italy and Germany, Gayda adds: "Europe and responsible governments should therefore once more be warned before it is too late that Italy and Germany are more than ever united, and form together a force which could inexorably overwhelm the ambitious plans of this mad party."—*Reuter.*

## MANILA SHARES

The following quotations were received after the close of the morning session through Reuters:

| | Business Done Prices in Pesos Oct. 12. | Oct. 13. |
|---|---|---|
| Antamok | .30 | .35 |
| Atok | .33 | .32½ |
| Baguio Gold | Unq. | Unq. |
| Benguet Cons. | 11.60 | Unq. |
| Coco Grove | .43½ | .43 |
| Consolidated Mines | .0033 | .0035 |
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The following is Swan, Culbertson & Fritz' report on this morning's market:

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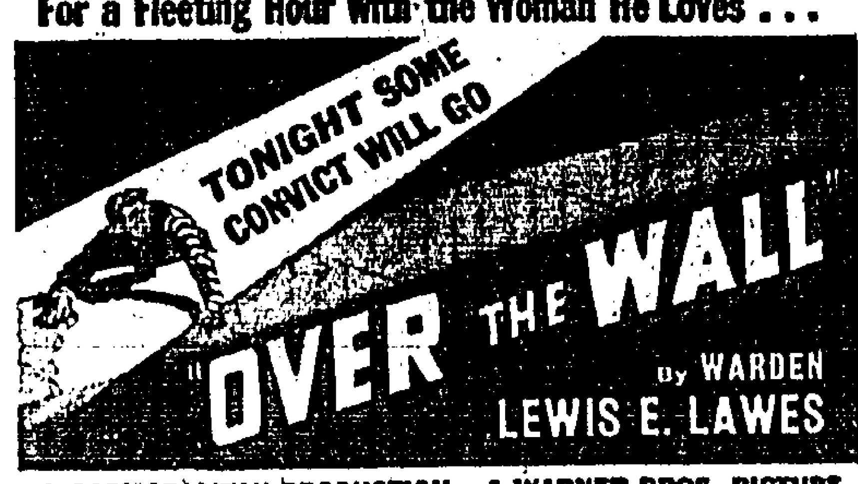


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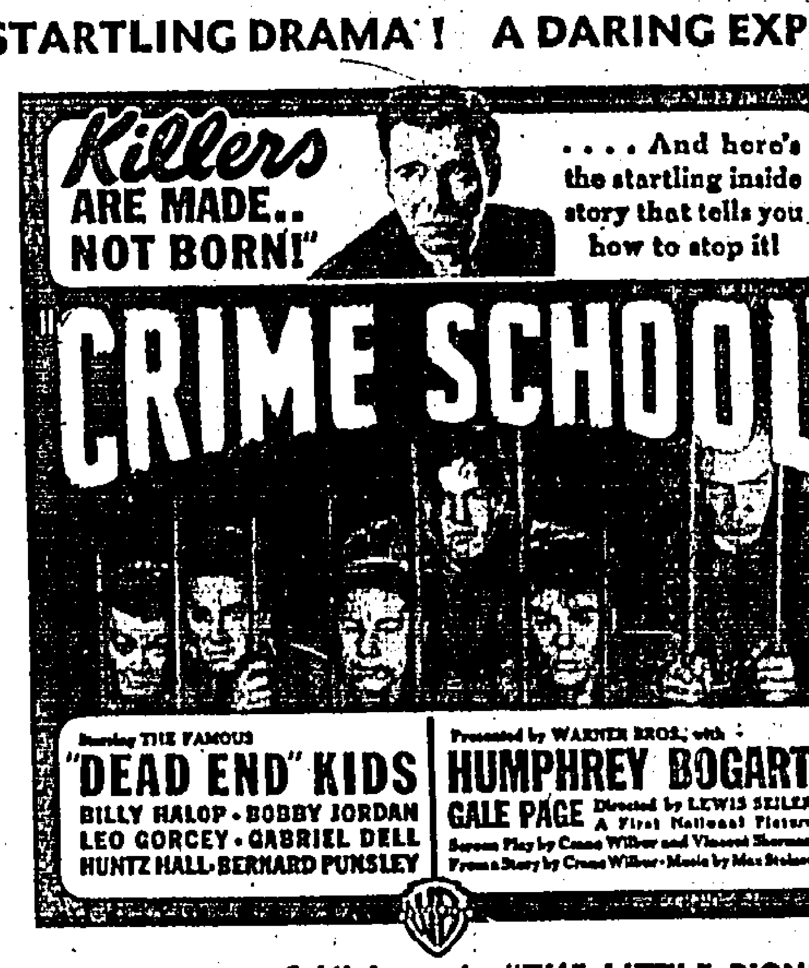
SHOWING TO-DAY

A STARTLING DRAMA ! A DARING EXPOSE !




ADDED! Sybil Jason in "THE LITTLE PIONEER"
A Featurette in Technicolour

NEXT CHANGE : "MOTHER CAREY'S CHICKENS"
RKO Picture : Ruby Keeler - Anne Shirley

ORIENTAL THEATRE

SPECIAL ! FOR TO-DAY ONLY !

HUMAN BEINGS REDUCED TO TINY DOLLS !

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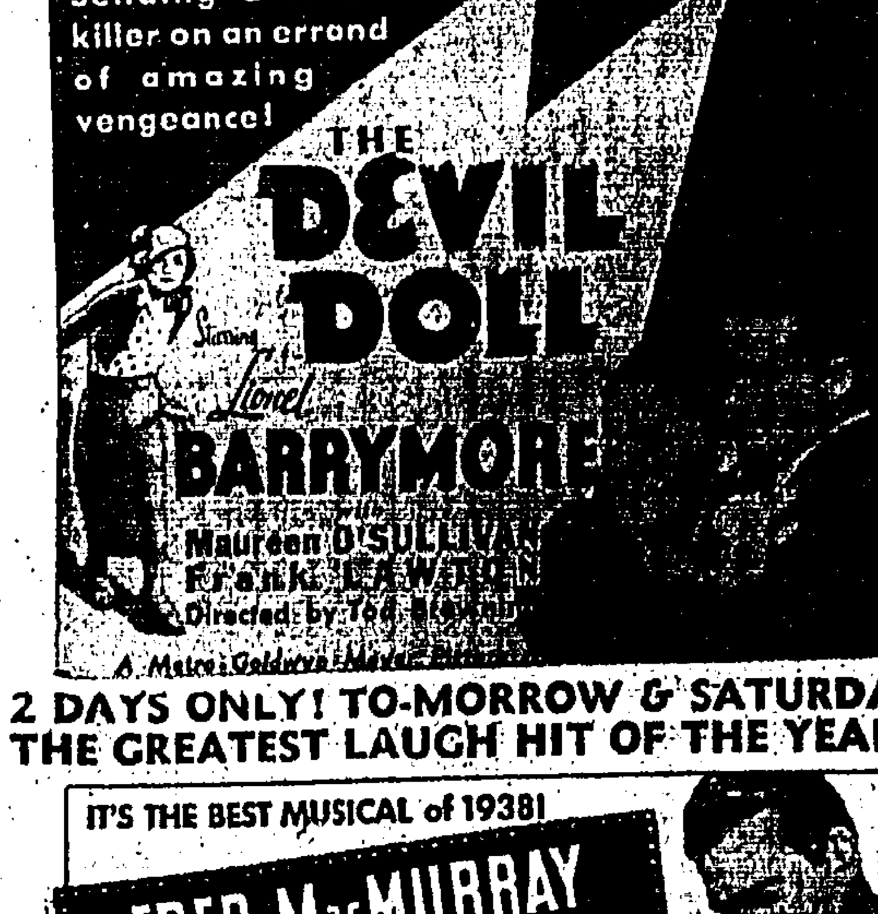
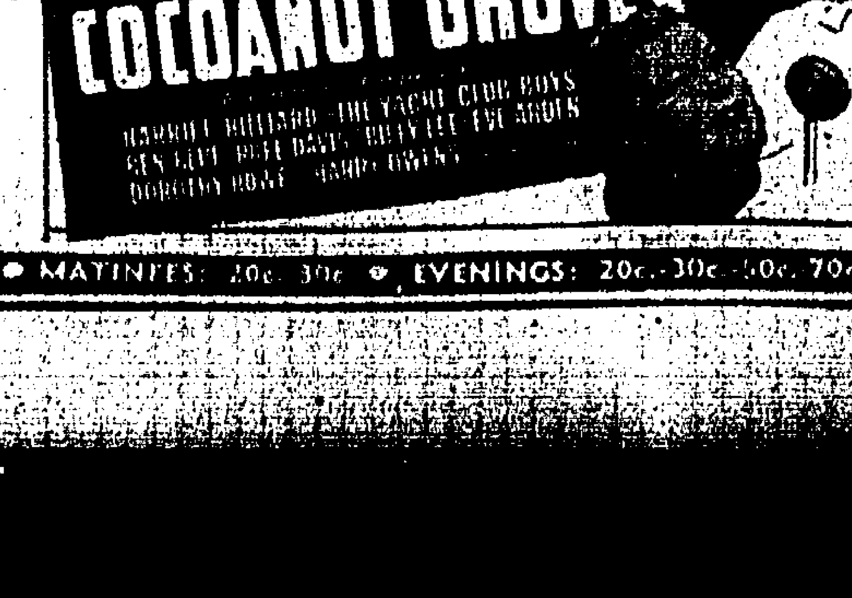



2 DAYS ONLY! TO-MORROW & SATURDAY
THE GREATEST LAUGH HIT OF THE YEAR !




MATINEES: 20c. 30c. EVENINGS: 20c.-30c.-50c.-70c.